Crook County
CLOVER CONNECTION
4-H Families & Friends

July is here, bringing long days, warm sunshine, and the exciting buzz of fair season right around the corner! Across our community, youth are hard at work preparing projects, practicing show skills, and putting the finishing touches on exhibits that reflect months of dedication. This is a time to celebrate growth, learning, and the confidence that comes from stepping into the spotlight and sharing accomplishments with others.

As we count down to the fair, we encourage everyone to get involved—whether you're exhibiting, volunteering, or simply cheering on participants. The fair is more than an event; it's a showcase of leadership, teamwork, and the spirit of "learn by doing." We can't wait to see the incredible efforts of our youth on display and to celebrate another season of achievement together!

Happy 250th Anniversary! ~ Erica



Crook County Extension Office
309 Cleveland St (Basement)
(307)-283-1192
M-F 7:30 am - 4 pm

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THINGS TO NOTE:

Don't Forget!

Fair Entry Closes July 7th

You must enter at fairentry.com!



Upcoming Events

Fair Entry Due	July 7th
4-H State Shoot	July 8-11
Cake Decorating	July 13th
Fashion Revue	July 18th
4-H Dog Show	July 19th
Fair Setup Day	July 23rd
Cake Decorating	July 24th
Horse - Practice	See Flyer
Horseless Horse	Aug 3rd
4-H State Fair Forms Due!	Aug 5th

Local Events

EVENTS CALENDAR

Check out the Events calendar on the website!



Crook County Fair

2026

July 26-August 1st

4-H Dog Show July 19th

Fashion Revue July 18th

ATTENTION!

IMPORTANT

FAIR ENTRIES & CAMPING ARE OPEN JUNE 8th!

Go to the crookcofair.com website

- Find the 2026 Crook County Fair Header and hover it
- Drop down menu will show
- Find “Online Fair Entries & Campground Contract“

FAIR ENTRIES AND CAMPGROUND CONTRACTS ARE DUE BY JULY 7TH WITH PAYMENT!



2026 changes coming to Crook County Fair:

2026 Dress Code:

Youth Exhibiting animals at the Crook County Fair are expected to showcase their animals with pride and professionalism. All youth must dress for success, proper attire is required as the following nice dress shirts, nice pants (without holes), and boots or leather shoes. No tennis shoes or sandals. For FFA Showmanship you must follow FFA Official dress, which includes Official FFA Blue Jacket, White collared shirt or blouse, Official FFA tie or scarf, Black slacks or pants, black closed toes shoes or as stated by their FFA Advisor.

Livestock Sale Policy Addition:

The Seller /Exhibitor understands that the sale committee and Buyer are not responsible for the well-being of livestock held and reserved by the Seller/Exhibitor for State Fair. Sellers that choose to participate in State Fair do so with the understanding that if the livestock is not delivered live to the Buyer or their designated processor, that the sale will be considered null and void. The sale committee recommends, but does not require livestock held and reserved for State Fair to be insured to protect the Seller/Exhibitor's investment.

Mini-Cattle

Mini cattle will be allowed into the 2027 Crook County Fair with the following stipulations mini cattle entering the Market beef must be under the minimum of 48", under 1100 lbs. to qualify as a mini subject to classification at weigh-ins but must be over a year old, under 2 years of age to be allowed to sell

FAIR ACTIVITIES



TRASH CAN CHALLENGE

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Crook County Fair 2026

CALLING ALL 4-H CLUBS & FFA CHAPTERS!



THE CHALLENGE

Pick up a trash can and decorate it to match the ★ 2026 Crook County Fair Theme ★



★ WIN BIG! ★

The trash can with the MOST VOTES wins a GIFT CARD!



- No Entry Fee
- Open to 4-H & FFA Groups
- Pick up cans at the fairgrounds
- Ask Jasmyne for your assigned can

Sponsored by:

RANGE RIDERS 4-H CLUB

Let's make the fairgrounds festive, patriotic, and fun!

DOG PROJECT

CROOK COUNTY 4-H
DOG PROJECT KIDS

JULY 12

PRESHOW ALL-DAY PRACTICE
for our County Fair Show

9 AM – NOON
AGILITY
LAURIE'S PLACE

NOON – 1 PM
LUNCH BREAK

1 PM – 4 PM
RALLY • OBEDIENCE
SHOWMANSHIP
& CONFIRMATION
SHOOTING SPORTS BUILDING

What to Bring:

- Water for you and your dog
- Treats for your dog
- Sack lunch for you
- Chairs
- Crates
- Show lead
- 6' leash
- Obedience/rally collar
- Poo bags

CROOK COUNTY 4-H DOG PROGRAM
Practice Schedule

JUNE 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	**26**	27
28	**29**	30				

Practice: June 29
Practice: June 26

JULY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	**6**	7	8	9	**10**	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Practice: July 6
Practice: July 10

ALL DAY PRACTICE:
July 12

4-H DOG SHOW

Crook County — WY — 4-H Dog Program

CROOK COUNTY 4-H DOG PROJECT

Growing Skills, Raising Stock
Shaping America's Next 250 Years

2026 CROOK COUNTY FAIR DOG SHOW

JULY 19TH

4-H DOG CHECK IN 9:00 AM
4-H DOG SHOW 10:00 AM

BIG BARN AT THE CROOK COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

OBEDIENCE · AGILITY · SHOWMANSHIP · CONFORMATION · RALLY

4-H DOG SHOW

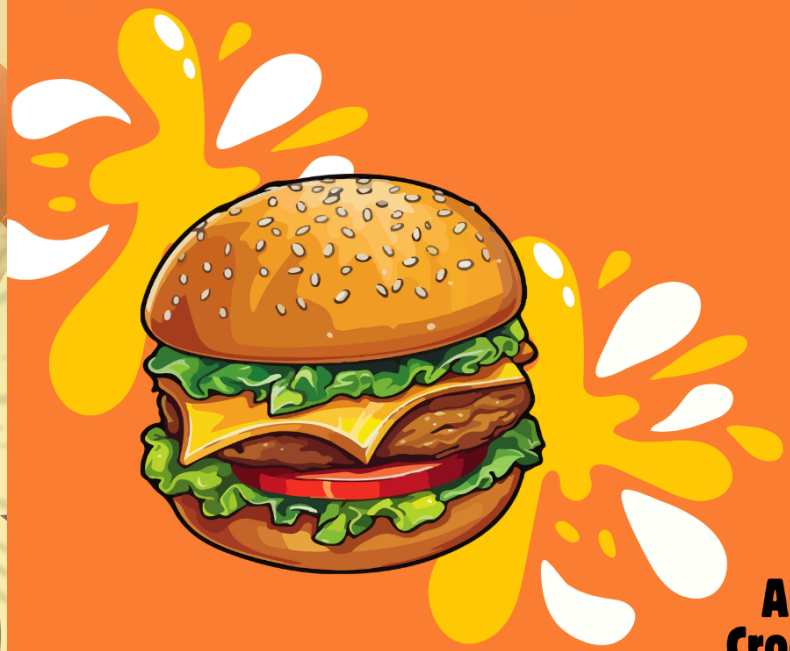


CROOK COUNTY 4-H DOG SHOW

July 19th
Dog Show - 9am

Lunch served 11am -12pm
Crook County Fairgrounds

Come support Crook County youth while you enjoy a burger!



$12/plate
$1 drinks
Cash or Venmo



All proceeds go to support Crook County 4-H Dog Project!

STATIC PROJECTS

Crook County 4-H

Cake Decorating



JULY 13TH

JULY 24TH

1PM-3PM

Community Room -
Courthouse Basement Sundance

STATIC PROJECTS

CROOK COUNTY 4-H FASHION REVUE CONTEST

Showcase Your Style . Celebrate Creativity · Support 4-H Talent

JULY 18TH

AFTERNOON JUDGING

Begins at 1:00 PM @ the Crook County Museum - Sundance, WY

- Construction
- Buymanship
- Modeling

Participants must bring ALL garments for judging (even if not modeling)



EVENING PUBLIC REVUE

6:00 PM @ the Crook County Museum - Sundance, WY

Open to the Public!

Support our youth · Celebrate their accomplishments

Crook County Fair

LIVESTOCK COSTUME CONTEST

7/29/26

30 min after the conclusion of Goat Over the Hill Showmanship



Come vote for your favorite duo!

Prizes

Glitz, Glam & Hooves! Youth Dress Up Your Livestock and Yourself!

LIVESTOCK

Crook County Fair

ver the Hill Showmanship

Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Horse, Rabbit, and Poultry

$5 entry Fee

Proceeds will go to benefit the Crook County 4-H Livestock Program

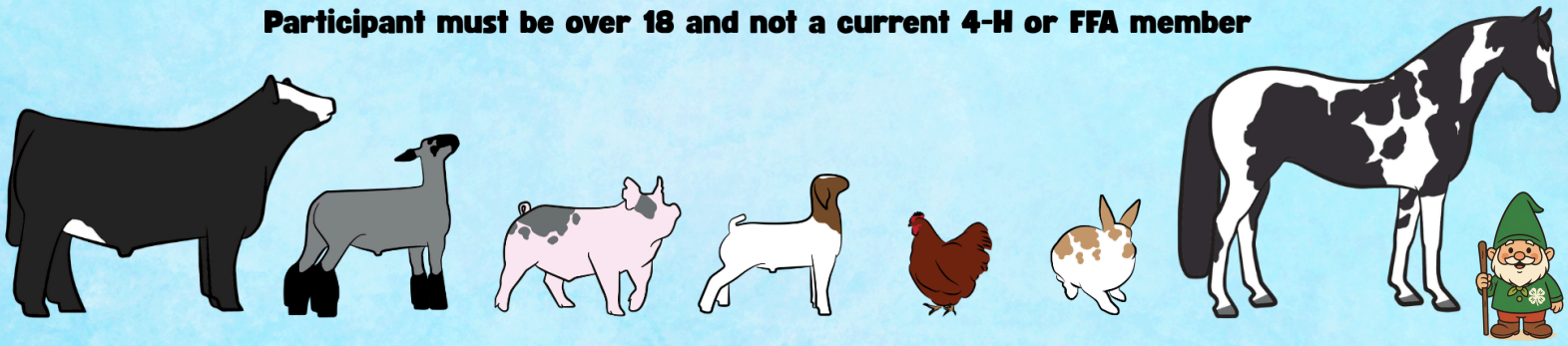
$10 Buyout Fee

(Max buyout 3X)

Youth exhibitors will be responsible for entering participants, with the expectation that the participant will show using that exhibitor's livestock entry.

Over the Hill Shows will occur immediately following large livestock shows, horse showmanship, and rabbit/poultry shows.

Participant must be over 18 and not a current 4-H or FFA member



HORSE



HORSE PRACTICES

- JUNE 11TH 5-8PM TRAIL
- JUNE 20TH 8-11AM POSSIBLY COW WORK. REINING/RANCH RIDING
- JUNE 30TH 5-8 PM PATTERNS, ENGLISH
- JULY 11TH 8AM-11AM HALTER/SHOWMANSHIP
- JULY 16TH 5-8PM POSSIBLY COW WORK, REINING/RANCH RIDING, HORSE SHOW PREP
- JULY 21ST 5-8PM PATTERNS, ENGLISH, HORSE SHOW PREP

4-H/FFA Safety Certifications can be completed at any practice

Crook County 4-H

Outdoor Arena - Sundance Fair Grounds

HORSE

HORSELESS Horse

Join the Horseless Horse program and explore the exciting world of horses—no horse required! Youth will learn horse care, safety, equipment, and riding basics through fun, hands-on activities. Build confidence, knowledge, and horsemanship skills while getting ready for future equine opportunities.



AUGUST 3RD
6PM

34 3 Bar S Road
Moorcroft, WY

RSVP
Amanda Critel 307-941-2076
or Sharon Slebiss 559-365-1882

Crook County 4-H

RANGE RIDERS



The Range Riders met June 19th, 2026, Members reported on events they have attended. Max Dixon and Tony Manning shared about their State Championship AgMission Challenge Robotics win and 2nd place finish in the Sumo robotics contest. Max also shared about placing 3rd in impromptu and 6th in prepared public speaking state contests at Showcase Showdown. Amber Dixon, Markie Manning, and Josie Manning shared about their 5th place finish at the State Produce Judging contest, Josie shared she was 2nd place overall intermediate and Amber shared she was 4th place overall Junior. Amber also shared she was 3rd place overall junior table setting. The club voted to enter the fair parade, and a committee was formed to design the float. Members then learned all about the swine project and how to prep pigs for fair from Morgan and Maddie Geis and the Quilting project from Sophie Johnson, who shared the steps to creating the perfect quilt! Then we learned about how to do our skill cards for our fair entries and played a game before we went home. We will not have a July meeting, so encouraged everyone to check out each others exhibits and shows at the fair!

Submitted by Reporter Amber Dixon

HAPPY JULY BIRTHDAY

Caydee F.

Levi S.

Lyman H.

Kimberly B.

Amber B.

Sophia G.

Alicia D.

Alivia A.

Juliette K.

Josey F.

Clifford K.

Colt B.



101 PROJECT FLYERS

101 Project Flyers

Check out the shared files available on your ZSuite account, Crook County 4-H website, or at the extension office!

CROOK COUNTY 4-H CLUBS

Prairie Harvesters

Leaders: Ami Hanson - 307-680-8918
Meetings: 1st Friday even months 4PM
Location: Moorcroft Library

Beef & Bridle

Leaders: Lynsey Gray-307-670-2316
Sharon Slebiss - 559-365-1882
Meetings: Sundays - 3pm- Moorcroft
Location: TBD
Follow Facebook Group

Bearlodge Wranglers

Leaders: Meg Franzen - 307-290-2279 Sarah Ellsbury - 307-281-2956
Meetings: 3rd Wednesday-4:30pm Shooting Sports Bldg- County Fairgrounds
Limit of 25 members

Range Riders

Leaders: Courtney Dixon-307-752-8263
Cassedy Marshall
Meetings: 3rd Friday-5:30pm
Shooting Sports Bldg-Crook County Fairgrounds

County 18 Homesteaders

Contact Stevie Phillips

Carlile Wranglers

Leaders: Kristy Dennis-307-756-9401
Amber Burch - 307-467-5678
Meetings: 2nd Thursdays-5 pm-
Location: Oshoto Firehall

Silver Spurs

Leaders: Jenn Jay 307-467-5595
Meetings: TBD - Hulett

Blacktail Hustlers

Leaders: Jenn Sirbaugh - 304-820-2557
Melissa Williams - 307-680-5066
Meetings: Contact Jenn or Melissa
Location: Hulett Library/Community Center

CLOVER CHALLENGE

CLOVER CHALLENGE!

Participate in Club activities, earn points!

PRIZE

1st PLACE

Club T-Shirts + Pizza Party & Bowling or Pizza Party & Movie

EVENT RULES

Each year there is a "Champion Club" awarded through our "Clover Challenge" winner at Achievement Night. The champion club will be awarded club t-shirts and a pizza/movie or pizza/bowling party paid for at the following meeting. (This can always be changed to fit your club!)

Here is how clubs earn their points for the Clover Challenge:

- Publish meeting minutes/report in the monthly Clover Connection
- Educational Activities by the Club (presentations or demonstrations)
- Community Service Events by the Club
- Record Books - 30% minimum Club completion
- Club Enrollment - 100% by January 15th (Excluding new 1st year members)
- 4-H Camp - Youth and chaperone attendance
- Attend 4-H Sanctioned events such as State shoot, Showcase Showdown, Make it w/wool, Meats & Wool, Project Palooza, National Trips, 4-H Livestock Camps & Clinics
- Chartering done by September 20th
- Club Floats in either the County Fair or Christmas Parades
- County Fair Static Exhibits
- Participate in a leadership role such as fair ambassador, club officer, or camp counselor

Talk to your 4-H club Leaders for more info!

If a member or volunteer changes clubs at any point in the year, previously recorded points do not transfer to the new club.

WE WANT YOU!

Together, we make a Difference

HEY ATTENTION!!

CROOK COUNTY FAIR
IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING VOLUNTEER POSITIONS FOR THE FAIR:

LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE

SALE COMMITTEE

AWARDS COMMITTEE

For more information and to request an application, contact the Fair Office at 283-2644 or crookcofair@rangeweb.net. Applications can also be found on the fair website www.crookcofair.com. Deadline is January 2nd, 2025

Crook County FAIR

If you are interested in helping out on a fair committee please fill out an application and submit it to Jasmyne at the fair office.

REQUEST FOR FUNDS

Crook County 4-H has a form to request funds to help with those 4-H trips and events you want to participate in!

Need a little financial assistance to pay for registration at a 4-H event; local, state, or national?

Fill out the Request for Funds form before the date of the event and turn it into Erica @ the Crook County Extension Office.

https://www.wyoming4h.org/crook4h/request-for-funds/



PROJECTS

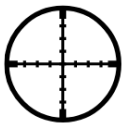
PICK YOUR PROJECT

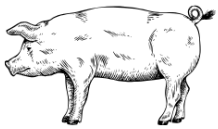
There's a project for everyone!

Aerospace
Archery
Beef
Cake Decorating
Cats
Citizenship
Computers
Crocheting
Dogs
Electricity
Entomology
Fabric & Fashion
Foods & Nutrition
Gardening
Geology
Dairy Goats
Meat Goats
Health
Horses
Interior Design
Knitting
Llamas & Alpacas
Leathercraft





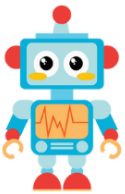













Muzzleloading
Nature & Ecology
Photography
Pistol
Pocket Pets
Poultry
Quilting
Rabbits
Range Management
Recreation
Rifle
Robotics
Ropecraft
Self-Determined
Sheep
Shotgun
Sportfishing
Swine
Veterinary Science
Visual Arts
Wildlife & Hunting
Woodworking
Youth Leadership

S.M.A.R.T GOALS

S

SPECIFIC

Goals should be clear and easy to understand. A specific goal usually answers five questions: What do we want to do? Why is it important? Who is involved? Where will it happen? Which steps or choices are needed?

M

MEASURABLE

This idea means we need clear ways to measure how close we are to reaching a goal. If we can't measure it, we won't know if we're making progress or not.

A

ACHIEVABLE

This idea is about setting goals that are possible to reach. A goal can still be challenging, but it shouldn't be too extreme. When working toward a realistic goal, people might discover new chances or ideas that help them get closer to success.

R

RELEVANT

A relevant goal is one that matters to you and that you're ready and able to work toward. It should make you ask: 'Is this worth doing?

T

TIME-BASED

Setting a deadline helps you stay focused and finish your goal on time. It keeps your goal from getting pushed aside by everyday tasks. A timely goal should help you plan what to do today, in 6 weeks, and in 6 months.

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BAND APP

BAND is an all-in-one-app for messaging, calendars, files, photos, and videos!

Join our Crook County 4-H group to stay up on events and changes!

SCAN ME

Join the BAND group by visiting https://band.us/n/a6a2Afh246W3b

ENROLLMENT HELP ...

4-H ZSuite Enrollment

New Family Profile

SCAN ME

If you' ve never signed into ZSuite before follow these steps:

1. Go to https://4h.zsuite.org
2. As a family creating a new profile, select SIGN UP. Fill in all fields, select LET' S GO.

Adding 4-H Member

You are now on the Dashboard tab

1.Select +Household Member

2. Fill out 4-H members info, select CONTINUE

3. Fill out PERSONAL INFO, select NEXT

4. Fill out all six drop down WAIVERS, then select NEXT

5. Dropdown to your CLUB, select ADD CLUB. (Cloverbuds is not a club, select club placement)

6. Select ADD PROJECT. When selecting an animal project, Animal project information is not required at this time

7. Select ADD TO CART and then you can either +Add ENROLLMENT (another child or volunteer) or SUBMIT. You must click SUBMIT to be complete.

4-H Year starts October 1st

Cloverbuds (5-7 yrs)= $5

4-H (8yrs & up) =$10

Volunteers = Free

Online Payment on ZSuite

Cash or check payable to Crook County 4-H

Puzzled?

Call Erica @ 307-283-1192 or stop by Crook County Extension office during business hours

Once submitted, your enrollment will change from pending payment or pending approval to ACTIVE once the Extension office receives payment!

AGE CLASSIFICATION

4-H programs are offered on an age-appropriate basis to youth, ages 5-18. This is the general age requirement for 4-H participation. On occasion, multi-state and national 4-H programs and events may use different age criteria and will be adhered to as necessary to qualify for participation.

Age classification for 4-H club members are:

Cloverbud: Ages 5-7

Junior: Ages 8-10 (3rd-5th grade)

Intermediate: Ages 11-13 (6th-8th grade)

Senior Member: Ages 14-18 (9th-12th grade)

Ages are as of January 1 of the current 4-H year, which spans from October through September. Here are some examples for clarification:

- If a child is age 5 on January 1, they can join 4-H for the entire 4-H year as a Cloverbud member.
- If a child turns age 5 on January 2 or later, they must wait until the next 4-H year to join.
- If a member is 7 years or under as of January 1, they are a Cloverbud member.
- If a teen will be age 18 on December 31, they can join for the entire 4-H year.
- If a teen is age 19 on January 1, they cannot join 4-H but are encouraged to serve as a 4-H volunteer.
- Collegiate 4-H clubs are available at many colleges and universities for those wishing to continue 4-H activities into their early twenties.