

# DELTA COUNTY *Colorado*



# NEWS

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## CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2018!

Springtime is the time of year when thoughts turn to graduation, particularly from high school, which is seen as one of the biggest changes in a young person's life. Your families are extremely proud of you as are we. After the commencement speeches are given, and all the good advice bestowed, the topic of conversation turns to what you'll do next.

Our graduating 4-H'ers will begin to make tough choices in their lives, and no amount of advice gets them through those moments. It's the "doing" over the years – staying up all night with a sick animal, the disappointments and victories, (and yes, you have to do the record book!) - that will get them through. It's also about finally realizing that adults do things for youth, even when they don't get paid, for the sheer enjoyment of helping. And finally, it's giving back as an adult to the program that helped you grow strong. In short, when you leave here, don't forget why you came.

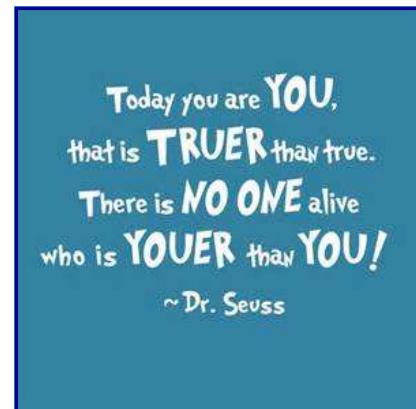
We wish all our graduates good health and prosperous journeys to whatever comes next. Remember, the most important thing is to be a productive adult, no matter what you are doing. We'll miss you, but we know it's your time to move on.

The fireworks begin on your graduation day. Each diploma is a lighted match. Each one of you is a fuse. Go out and light up the future.

*You know all  
those things  
you've always  
wanted to do?  
You should go  
DO THEM.*

# What Is Your 4-H Age?

Do you know if you are a junior, intermediate, or senior member? Do you even know what this means? If not, here is an explanation: the age you were on December 31, 2017 is the age that determines your 4-H age. A junior 4-H member is any member between the ages of 8 and 10 years old as of 12/31/17; an intermediate member is anyone between the ages of 11 and 13 years old as of 12/31/17; a senior member is anyone who is 14 years old or older as of 12/31/17. So, if you turned 11 in March, you are still considered a junior member for your 4-H projects in 2018. That is your 4-H age!



## DELTA COUNTY FAIR ROYALTY CONTEST

Are you a young lady that is interested in being an ambassador for the Delta County Fair during 2018-2019? Then the Delta County Fair Royalty Contest is for you! Open to young ladies that are enrolled in the Delta County school system, have horsemanship skills, and are between the age of 9 and 19. You do not need to be a 4-H or FFA member to apply. During their reign winners will travel around Colorado as representatives of Delta County.

Contact Teresa Burns at 270-4493 for more information. Applications are due June 4, 2018 and can be found on the Delta County Fair website.

## COUNTY FAIR THEME FOR 2018:

## A TOUCH OF COUNTRY



**FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF DELTA COUNTY FAIR RULES AND REGULATIONS, AS WELL AS CLASSES AND DEADLINES—PLEASE SEE THE 2018 DELTA COUNTY FAIRBOOK.**

**ESTIMATED AVAILABILITY DATE:  
EARLY JUNE, 2018.**

# FOOD PROJECT EXHIBITS!



Here is some exciting news for our food project members! This year members can exhibit in **one or more** of the following classes that are listed under their main food project:

- **Cooking 101** fair classes are: No Bake Bars/Cookies, Baked Bar Cookies, Coffeecake, Cookies
- **Cooking 201** fair classes are: Quick Breads, Scones, Muffins
- **Cooking 301** fair classes are: Shortened Cakes, Yeast Rolls, Creative Yeast Breads, Party Planning
- **Cooking 401** fair classes are: Flatbread, Double Crust Pie, Celebration Meals

For more information on your fair classes and their requirements go to:

[http://www.colorado4h.org/project\\_resources/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf](http://www.colorado4h.org/project_resources/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf)

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# CLOTHING PROJECT EXHIBITS!

Here is some exciting news for our clothing project members! This year members can exhibit in **one or more** of the following classes that are listed under their main clothing project:



- **STEAM 1** fair classes are: Pillow (Juniors Only), Pillowcase (Juniors Only), Simple Top, Simple Bottom, Simple Dress
- **STEAM 2** fair classes are: Top (vest acceptable), Bottom (pants or shorts), Skirt, Dress (not formal wear), Romper or Jumpsuit, Two Piece Outfit
- **STEAM 3 (Intermediate and Senior Only)** fair classes are: Cotton or Cotton Blend, Synthetics and Rayon, Wool/Wool Blends, Silk and Silk-like, Specialty Fabrics

For more information on your fair classes and their requirements go to:

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# WHAT ARE YOUR EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FAIR?

Wondering just what you are required to bring with your 4-H Exhibit Hall project to the Delta County Fair?

- Go to the Colorado 4-H Website at <http://www.colorado4h.org/>
- Click on “Events and Opportunities” on the left hand side of the screen
- Click on “Colorado State Fair Information ” on the right hand side of the screen
- Click on “Colorado State Fair Exhibit Requirements”
- This is the page where you can look at the actual requirements for your Exhibit Hall projects. If you click on this you will be able to find all the requirements for what you need to bring for your display at the County Fair

## ***FINAL MEAT QUALITY ASSURANCE CLASS!***

The following is the “Official” State 4-H policy regarding the Meat Quality Assurance Act and the required training:

- Any 4-H member enrolled in a market or breeding livestock project that has not previously attended training **must do so**.
- Any 4-H member who was a Junior (age 13 or under as of December 31, 2017) and is moving into the Senior division in 2017 (age 14 as of December 31, 2017), will be required to attend the training.
- **Everyone** enrolled in a 4-H livestock project must sign the Tri River Area 4-H Commitment to Excellence.

In summary, all 4-H members must attend the Wholesome Meat training once as a Junior (13 and under) and once as a Senior (14 and over). You may attend training in another county if you cannot make the date scheduled in your county. **Be sure to sign in when you arrive**, this way we have a record of your attendance. Swine members who are exhibiting at the Colorado State Fair will need to attend an MQA class to fulfill the Pork Quality Assurance Training requirements. Below is the date of the final class:

- May 30 - **FINAL MQA/PQA Training** (6:30PM), Bill Heddles Recreation Center, Delta





# COUNTY FAIR INTERVIEW JUDGING DATE!

Members with 4-H General Projects (the projects that are exhibited in Heritage Hall during the County Fair) and Shooting Sports Premier Exhibitor Contestants need to be aware of the date for Interview Judging. Interview Judging will be held **Saturday, August 4th** beginning at **9:00 AM in Heritage Hall**. (This date does not apply to Clothing project members. These projects will be interview judged on July 19th at the Delta Center for the Performing Arts.) Be sure to mark this date on your calendars! A full schedule of interview times will be mailed to participants in July.



## Important Horse Levels Information

The highest level test that a member has taken and passed (both written **and** riding) as of July 6, 2018 is the level that member will be allowed to exhibit in at the 2018 Delta County Fair! (Members must pass their written test before taking their riding test for each level.) Written levels tests **will not** be given at the Delta Extension Office from July 2, 2018 through August 31, 2018.

Delta County Horse Leaders who give Horse Levels **RIDING** tests need to be sure to turn in all completed tests to the Delta Extension Office. This is the *only* way we have of knowing which members have passed the different riding levels. If you do not turn this information in, we will assume that the information we have on file is the most current information available.



## CLOVERBUDS & FAIR

Cloverbud members may display their completed projects at the county fair and/or other events. (Please remember these displays will not be judged.) Some suggested displays for Cloverbuds to bring to the county fair are:

- ✓ Craft projects such as beadwork, artwork, scrapbooks, or any other craft type item that a member has made.
- ✓ Display boards with pictures showing what the member has done throughout the year.
- ✓ Potted plants they have cared for or other plant exhibits.
- ✓ Short stories and poems.
- ✓ Clothing articles the member has made or embellished.
- ✓ Dioramas. (A diorama is a three-dimensional miniature scene in which figures, stuffed wildlife, or other objects are arranged in a realistic setting against a painted background. Shoeboxes work great for this!)
- ✓ Drawings or paintings
- ✓ Specimen boxes with bug collections.

# Fashion Revue & Clothing Construction Judging Date Set

The 2018 Delta County Fair Fashion Revue and Clothing Construction Judging will be held Wednesday, July 19th at 9:00 AM at the Delta Performing Arts Center in Delta. As in the past, judging will be held that morning and the public Revue will be held at the Delta County Fair. Be sure to watch upcoming newsletters as more information will be available closer to the event!



## RECORD BOOK POLICY

All Delta County 4-H members with general projects (those that are displayed in the exhibit hall) who do NOT bring an exhibit to the 2018 Delta County Fair will be required to turn in their record books on September 7, 2018 which is the same date that the livestock, horse, dog and shooting sports record books are due! The 70% completion requirement will apply to these books. In addition, general project members who do not participate in the 2018 Fair and fail to turn in their record book(s) will not be allowed to participate in those project(s) the following 4-H year.

## RECORD BOOK COVER REQUIREMENT!

The Delta County 4-H Office will no longer accept record books that are loose leaf or have been stapled, paper clipped or held together with binder clips, bobby pins or hair ties. In addition, slide type covers and pocket folders will no longer be accepted.

**ALL** record books must be turned in enclosed and secured in binders. Please hole punch your pages and use either ACCO or brad type binders. Three ring binders are still acceptable, however we do ask that they be no more than 1 inch thick. Be sure to double check that ALL pages/photos/receipts are securely attached inside your binders. The member name and project should be clearly visible on the outside of the binder. Please be sure to either write or attach a label with this information to the cover of your binder. (If you have a see-through cover and the front page of your record book can be seen you can skip this step.)

The 4-H Office is not responsible items that are lost from record books.



# DELTA COUNTY FAIR PRE-ENTRY & RECORD BOOK DUE DATE

All 2018 Delta County Fair pre-entries are due by 5:00 PM on July 6, 2018. This includes the following:

- ✓ 4-H and FFA Livestock pre-entries
- ✓ Open Class Livestock pre-entries
- ✓ 4-H and FFA Exhibit Hall and General pre-entries
- ✓ 4-H Shooting Sports Event pre-entries

These entries must be signed by both the 4-H or FFA member and leader/advisor. Unsigned entries **WILL NOT** be accepted. **Entries forms will be available at the Delta County Extension Office in early June.**

*Open class exhibit hall entries will be accepted Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at Heritage Hall on the Fairgrounds in Hotchkiss from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM.*

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Record books for the following members/projects are due **September 7, 2018:**

- ✓ 4-H Livestock, Horse & Dog record books
- ✓ 4-H Exhibit Hall record books for projects that were not exhibited at Fair
- ✓ 4-H Shooting Sports record books

Members who have projects in the above listed categories that do not turn in a record book will not be allowed to enroll in that project next year.



## 4-H PLEDGE


I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,  
my **HEART** to greater loyalty,  
my **HANDS** to larger service,  
and my **HEALTH** to better living,  
for my club, my community,  
my country, and my world.



Imagine  
With all  
your mind.  
Believe  
With all  
your heart.  
Achieve  
With all  
your might.

# MAY 2018



| Sun                       | Mon                                                                                                                    | Tue                                                                                            | Wed                                                                        | Thu | Fri                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Sat                                                                                                          |
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|                           |                                                                                                                        | 1 4-H Enrollment Deadline & Project Add/Drop Deadline & Horse & Dog Identification due—4:30 PM | 2                                                                          | 3   | 4 Swine Info due to Extension Office by 4:30 pm                                                                                                                                                                                  | 5 Sheep/Goat weigh/tag in 1PM - 3PM<br>Hotchkiss Fairgrounds                                                 |
| 6                         | 7                                                                                                                      | 8                                                                                              | 9                                                                          | 10  | 11                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 12                                                                                                           |
| 13<br>HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! | 14 County Council, Delta Courthouse, Room 234, 7 PM                                                                    | 15                                                                                             | 16                                                                         | 17  | 18                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 19 Armed Forces Day<br> |
| 20                        | 21                                                                                                                     | 22                                                                                             | 23                                                                         | 24  | 25                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 26                                                                                                           |
| 27                        | 28 Memorial Day, Offices Closed<br> | 29                                                                                             | 30 FINAL MQA/ PQA training, Bill Heddles Recreation Center, Delta, 6:30 pm | 31  | <div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 10px;"> <p><b>Don't forget!</b></p> <p><b>Beginning May 1st the 4-H Office starts summer hours!</b></p> <p><b>7:30-11:30 and 12:30-4:30</b></p> <p><b>Monday - Friday</b></p> </div> |                                                                                                              |
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# Important Upcoming Dates!

- May 1 - 4-H Enrollment Deadline, Horse & Dog i.d. forms due by 4:30 PM
- **May 1 - Delta Office hours change to 7:30-11:30 and 12:30 -4:30 Monday thru Friday**
- May 4 - Swine nominations due, 4:30 PM, Delta Extension Office
- May 5 - Sheep/Goat weigh/tag in, 1-3 PM, Fairgrounds, Hotchkiss
- May 14 - Delta Council, 7PM, Delta Courthouse, Room 234
- May 28 - Memorial Day, Offices Closed
- May 30 - FINAL MQA Training, Bill Heddles Recreation Center, Delta, 6:30 PM
- June 2 - Mesa County Invitational Shoot
- June 11 - Delta Executive Council, 7PM, Hotchkiss
- June 16 - Montrose County Invitational Shoot
- June 19-22- 4-H State Conference, Fort Collins
- June 30 - Delta County Invitational Shoot
- July 4 - Independence Day observed , Offices Closed
- July 6 - Delta County fair 4-H/FFA and Open class livestock pre-entries due, 4:30 PM
- July 19 - Clothing Construction & Fashion Revue judging, 9:00 AM
- July 20 - Delta Fair dog record books due. Shooting sports record books due for members not participating in the County Fair shoot, 4:30 PM
- July 21 - Delta County Fair Shooting Event, 8AM, Eckert Range
- Aug 3 - Delta 4-H Club Wall decorating party, 6PM, Heritage Hall
- Aug 4 - Delta County Fair General Projects Interview Judging, 9AM
- Aug 5-11 - Delta County Fair, Hotchkiss
- Sept 7 - Achievement Nominations and all record books due to office, 4:30 PM
- Sept 10 - Delta Council—ELECTIONS! - Delta Courthouse, 7PM
- Sept 21 - Delta Award Forms & Special Nomination Forms due to office, 4:30 PM
- Oct 1 - Delta Office returns to winter hours, 8:00-12:00 and 1:00 to 5:00 Monday thru Friday
- Oct 5 - Achievement Program, Heritage Hall, Hotchkiss, 6:00 PM
- Oct 8 - Delta Executive Council, Hotchkiss
- Oct 8 - Columbus Day, Delta & Montrose Offices Closed
- Nov 4 - Daylight Savings time—Fall Back!
- Nov 12 - Veteran's Day observed, Offices Closed
- Nov 22-23 - Thanksgiving Holiday, Offices Closed
- Dec 25 - Christmas Day, Offices Closed



*Dates & info in this calendar are tentative and subject to change!*

# Tri-River Area 4-H Invitational Shoot Dates

- June 2, 2018 - Mesa County Invitational Shoot
- June 16, 2018 - Montrose County Invitational Shoot
- June 30, 2018 - Delta County Invitational Shoot

These events are designed to give 4-H members an opportunity to practice their skills in an out-of-county setting. They also experience what it is like to be in actual competition with members from other counties in their age groups. Registration information will be available soon!

Members from Mesa, Montrose, Delta, Ouray, Garfield, Gunnison, Moffat, Routt, Rio Blanco, Montezuma, La Plata and San Miguel counties are invited to attend!



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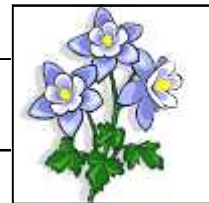
Colorado State University, U.S.D.A., and Delta, Mesa, Montrose and Ouray Counties cooperating. Extension programs are available to all without discrimination.

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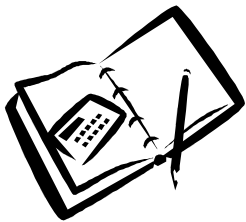
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<http://www.coopext.colostate.edu/TRA4h/delta.htm>

## Livestock & Horse Record Books



Having trouble downloading your livestock and/or horse record book? If so, you can pick up a hard copy to fill out at the Delta 4-H Office. They are printed and waiting for those who need them!



Happy  
Mother's  
Day