

4-H CLOVER AGRICULTURAL Department 21

SUPERINTENDENT

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ENTRY DEADLINE: July 20, 2025

ENTRY FEE

- None required.
- A parent or guardian **MUST** sign the entry form and is encouraged to attend.

RULES and REGULATIONS

1. Participants (ages 5–7) must be enrolled and an active participant in a Montgomery County 4-H Clover Program/Club for the current year. Clovers are encouraged to register for their own designated Clover Animal Club. Handling activities will be reviewed to reinforce material throughout the year.
2. Activities in Department 21 will only be held if the designated MCE certified Clover Leader is directing the event. All participants in animal “knowledge and handling” activities must be on-going members of this MCE volunteer’s group. The Clover leader must sign off on all entry forms verifying that each child has attended appropriate preliminary safety sessions prior to the Fair. Any 4-H Montgomery County Clover can participate in any of the Clover knowledge classes. These activities are provided for learning experiences.
3. Handling Classes are designed to allow the child to demonstrate what he or she has learned about safely handling/showing his or her species.
4. Guidelines for the handling and knowledge activities will be developed and implemented by the section chairperson(s) in cooperation with the Clover Superintendent.
5. Clovers do not own project animals, and therefore are not eligible for any project animal sales connected with the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair. No barn space is needed for Clovers. Clovers will not be bringing animals to the Fair for 4-H classes. Any live animal used for instruction will be under the care and supervision of the certified Clover leader or a Senior 4-H’er.
6. Clover participants will be evaluated and given suggestions. They will not be placed, and all will receive the same participation premium of \$3 in this department.
7. “Stockman”, “Dairyman”, etc., may include oral questions, paper games, etc., related to topics covered in their “Clover” meetings and may also include a barn-walk to identify animal breeds, or a feed ID game, a tack or equipment quiz, or even a model animal event, posters made by the child, etc. This will be at the Superintendent’s discretion.

SPECIAL AWARD

1. Clover Agricultural Participation Ribbons are sponsored by: The Woodfield Veterinary Clinic of Damascus, Dr. Patrick K. Skip-ton, Tom and Cindy Ryan and Family.

DIVISION 1: CLOVER KNOWLEDGE ACTIVITIES

Note: Check with your respective animal Clover leader for unlisted dates and times.

Clover Stockman: Wednesday, Aug. 13. Time TBA.

Clover Dairyman A (Dairy Cattle): Saturday, Aug. 16 at 11am.

Clover Dairyman B (Dairy Goat): Wednesday, Aug. 13 at 5pm.

Clover Poultryman: Thursday, Aug. 14 at 10 am.

Clover Pet Expert (Pets, Dogs, and Rabbits): Friday, Aug. 15 at 11:30am.

Clover Horsemanship: Saturday, Aug. 9 at 12 noon.

Clover Rabbitman: Thursday, Aug. 14 at 5pm.

DIVISION 2: CLOVER HANDLING

CLOVERS MAY ONLY REGISTER FOR THEIR OWN CLOVER CLUB IN THE HANDLING CLASSES.

1. Beef Handling: Friday, Aug. 15 at 10 am.
2. Sheep Handling: Wednesday, Aug. 13 at 9am.
3. Swine Handling: Thursday, Aug. 14 at 5pm.
4. Dairy Cattle Handling: Saturday, Aug. 16 at 10:30am.
5. Dairy Goat Handling: Friday, Aug. 15 at 10am.
6. Poultry Handling: Thursday, Aug. 14 at 10am.
7. Rabbit Handling: Tuesday, Aug. 12 at 5pm.
8. Pet Handling: Friday, Aug. 15 at 11:30am.
9. Horseman Leadline: Saturday, Aug. 9 at 12noon.

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CO-SUPERINTENDENTS

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None.

RULES

1. Contestants must register by July 20; see General Rule #12.
2. These contests are no longer required as a pre-requisite to the event at Md. State 4-H Fair; therefore, the Co-Superintendents reserve the right to modify events according to the number of participants as of the July 20 registration. Any 4-H member desiring to enter the State Event should contact the 4-H Office by July 20 to meet the state registration deadline.
3. A Junior (ages 8-13) and Senior (ages 14-18) division will be offered.
4. FFA members from a Montgomery County chapter are also welcome to participate. They should also register by July 20.
5. Participants will be disqualified at the discretion of the Superintendent for unsafe practices or acts unbecoming a 4-H/FFA member.
6. Scores for all parts of the contest will be combined when determining placing. In case of a tie, the Written Exam will be the tie-breaker.
7. The Montgomery County Fair event is modeled after the Maryland State Fair event; recommended study materials and course layout can be accessed at <https://extension.umd.edu/programs/4-h-youth-development/program-areas/stem>.

JUDGING

Saturday, Aug. 16

- 10am on the Upper Grounds outside of the Fair Office.
- Participants can come at 9:30am to get familiar with the lawn tractor.*

SPECIAL AWARDS

1. Rippeon Equipment offers a trophy to the 4-H Champion of the Lawn Tractor Contest.
2. Edward P. Cozdeba Memorial Award to the 4-H Champion of the Small Engine Contest.

DIVISION 1: 4-H LAWN TRACTOR EVENT

PREMIUMS

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