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## Dates & Deadlines

### JANUARY

3rd— Leaders Council 6:00pm at the Farm Bureau  
18th-20th Southern Youth Summit  
17th - Livestock leaders Meeting 6:00pm at Farm Bureau  
25th Online 4-H Livestock Entries Due

### FEBRUARY

2nd – Small Animal and Large Animal Pre Fair  
10th - Leaders Council Meeting  
16th—Livestock Leader Meeting—Pen Assignments  
16th— Fair Clean Up—mandatory 8am-11am  
16th—Judging Day 11am  
22nd—Still Exhibits to the fair  
25th—Food Exhibits to the Fair  
26th—Plant Exhibits to the Fair  
28th— All Animals except hogs to the fair  
March 1nd-10th Fair Check out the February 2018 intercom for your Fair Edition

### Check out

[www.ceimperial.ucanr.edu/4h](http://www.ceimperial.ucanr.edu/4h)

for a complete Calendar

## MANDATORY TO EXHIBIT AN ANIMAL

AT THE CALIFORNIA MID-WINTER FAIR AS A JUNIOR OR SENIOR EXHIBITOR (9-19 YEARS OLD Excluding Primary exhibitor) In the previous years, we have had the “No-Go, No-Show” program which exhibitors were required to take every 3 years. The state has now adopted a rule that ALL exhibitors have to take a “state approved” course ANNUALLY. One thing this will do is standardize training for all fairs in California so an exhibitor who has taken an approved course for one fair, will be accepted at any other fair in California.

The California Mid-Winter Fair has approved an online curriculum from the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) as our adopted curriculum. Many fairs across the state are also adopting this program.

**The fee to take the course is \$12.00. At the completion of the course, the exhibitor will receive a certificate with a unique certificate ID, which will be used to verify ias an accurate, valid, and matched to the exhibitor. You will be required to enter their certificate number as well as upload your certificate of completion during the fair registration process through ShoWorks.**





# Apply to be a State Ambassador!

**By**

**January 7,  
2019**

**Deadline!**



**2017-2018 4-H State Ambassadors BOTH from Imperial County!! Emil Schaffner and Amanda Cantwell!**

## Application Link

[http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Leadership/SA/Apply to Become a State Ambassador/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Leadership/SA/Apply%20to%20Become%20a%20State%20Ambassador/)

### Who are the California 4-H State Ambassadors?

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### Funding for the 4-H State Ambassador program

Thanks to a generous grant from the Thomas and Dorothy Levey Foundation, travel and other expenses for the California 4-H State Ambassador Program are covered through the entire program year.

### What is the application process?

The California State 4-H Office coordinates the selection of candidates. The goal is to ensure a consistent, fair, and equitable process. Applications must be received by the State 4-H Office by the application deadline date.

[Learn more about the requirements and guidelines for applying \(PDF\)](#)

[Learn more about the application reference requirements \(PDF\)](#)

# Fair, 4-H Show Uniform Guidelines Exhibitor Handbook:

The official uniform to be worn during livestock shows and auctions consists of white shirt, white skirt/pants, the appropriate tie or scarf, and the appropriate 4-H hat (white or green). **No other hats will be allowed.** Jacket is optional, you can find them at [showjacket.com](http://showjacket.com)

Hats and Scarves: Ask your leader first they may have inventory on hand! Otherwise you can purchase at [http://4hsupplies-com.3dcartstores.com/](http://4hsupplies.com.3dcartstores.com/)

Show Jacket (Optional): <http://showjacket.com>



**TIP: Start shopping for your white pants NOW. Ask club leaders about white exchanges and when uniform hat, tie, and or scarf can be ordered**

# 4-H Fair Entries are due January 25th!

Visit <http://www.californiamidwinterfair.com/>



**SATURDAY  
JANUARY 26, 2019**



- Hands-on activities
- Crafts
- Music
- Wagon rides
- Vegetable harvesting in the U-Pick garden
- And much more!

TIME: 9AM-2PM  
COST: FREE  
LOCATION:  
FARM SMART  
1004 E HOLTON RD  
HOLTVILLE, CA

We are looking for teen leaders to assist in our Farm-to-Preschool Festival on Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup> from 9am-2pm. The event is for 0-5-year-old youth and their families to encourage healthy eating habits through fun, hands on activities. If you are interested, please reach out to Stacey Amparano at [scwills@ucanr.edu](mailto:scwills@ucanr.edu) or (760)554-6813. We will hold a short training on Saturday, January 12 (time TBD)

# 4-H Pre-Fair



**February 2, 2019**

**Location: IV Expo  
(Swine & Beef Arena)**

*Please enter the fairgrounds through the northeast live-stock gate and park in the east parking lot.*

**\$1.00 entry fee per**

**showmanship class entered to help offset the cost of ribbons.**

**Participants can wear club shirts.**

## **Available Classes”**

**Junior Novice** (age 9 and up and first year showing a large/small animal)

**Junior** (age 9 and up, have shown before)

**Senior Novice** (14 or in high school and first year showing a large/small animal)

**Senior** (14 and or in high school, have shown before)



## Large Animal:

Showmanship classes will include:

| Species            | Registration | Show Clinic | Competition |
|--------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>Beef</b>        | 8:00am       | 8:15am      | 8:30am      |
| <b>Swine</b>       | 8:30         | 8:45am      | 9:00am      |
| <b>Feeder Calf</b> | 9:00am       | 9:30am      | 9:45am      |
| <b>Sheep</b>       | 10:15am      | 10:45       | 11:00am     |
| <b>Goat</b>        | 11:00am      | 11:30am     | 12:00pm     |

## Small Animal:

Showmanship classes will include:

| Species            | Registration   | Competition |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------|
| <b>Rabbits</b>     | 8:30am –8:45am | 9:00am      |
| <b>Poultry</b>     | 8:30am– 8:45am | 9:00am      |
| <b>Water Fowl</b>  | 8:30am-8:45am  | 9:00am      |
| <b>Dogs</b>        | 8:30am—8:45am  | 9:00am      |
| <b>Pygmy Goats</b> | 8:30am—8:45am  | 9:00am      |

This is a great learning opportunity to test out your showmanship skills. Participants are judged just as they would be at the fair and are given critiques so they know what to improve on in the next month. A great way to polish up your skills before the fair.



## 2019 National 4-H Beekeeping Essay Competition

Submission Deadline: March 1, 2019

Essay Topic: Honey Varietals, State to State

Each jar of honey reflects an unrepeatable combination of climate, soil, weather and flowers. Each state has unique honey varietals that beekeepers can market to their customers. Please identify one unique varietal to your state and discuss the flower's uniqueness and how beekeepers can effectively market that varietal.

In your essay, please include a photo of the varietal's flower, an interview with a local beekeeper who collects this varietal and a recipe that highlights the varietal.

Please see the complete [competition details](#).

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## California 4-H Equine Education Contest Day

Saturday, April 27, 2019

8:00 AM

Fresno Ag Pavilion - Fresno, CA

New for 2019!!

The State 4-H Education Contests for Horse Judging, Hippology and Public speaking will be held on April 27th, 2019 at the Fresno Ag Pavilion from 8am-8pm.



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## 2019 State Avian Bowl Qualifier

Saturday, February 23, 2019

The Greater California Society of Poultry Fanciers' Show

Fresno County Fair Grounds

The Avian Bowl State Qualifier is a knowledge bowls where contestants demonstrate their comprehensive knowledge of subject matter for several species of poultry, food safety, physiology, nutrition, eggs, and other related subjects.

For more information regarding the 2019 State Avian Bowl Qualifier, please see visit

the State Qualifiers for [National Animal Science Events page](#).

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## The 4-H Fashion Revue

event is for all 4-H members. You don't need to sew to enter! Members construct or purchase an outfit of their choice which fits into one of the entry categories, model in a fashion show, and participate in a variety of educational activities including community service.

See the State Fashion Revue event webpage for more information.

### 2019 Categories that do NOT require sewing:

Consumer Science Purchased, \$40 limit

The Make It Mine Challenge

These 2 categories are open to all 4-H members to enter, not just members enrolled in a Clothing and Textiles (Sewing) project.

### 2019 Categories specifically for members in the Clothing and Textiles (Sewing) project:

Traditional

Retro/Historical Challenge

The Box Challenge





## Great Job to All the Primary members!

Thank you for bringing the holiday cheer with your rendition of "I Wish You a Merry Christmas" at this years Christmas Market.



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO JOINED IN ON THE FUN, donating, buying, and hosting a great event! The Christmas market was a great success!



All Stars enjoyed hosting a Mystery Christmas themed Dinner for the highest Bidder! Thank you!!



# Imperial County 4-H Healthy Living Challenge

The Imperial County 4-H Healthy Living Club & Individual Challenge for the 2018-2019 4-H year is going well! Let's keep the posts coming as we continue to focus on Healthy Eating & Active Living (HEAL). The **November Challenge** was focused on reading a Nutrition Label. The **December Challenge** now shifts to learning about My Plate. Will you take the Pledge and Become a My Plate Champion?????

**Individual Challenge:** Post a picture or video of you with your **My Plate Pledge Certificate**. Feel free to post additional photos of your plates of food that follow the My Plate guidelines!

**Club Challenge:** Post a video of your club with its completed My Plate Pledge Certificate.

**To Earn Credit for Posting:** In the comment of every post you make for the monthly challenge as a club and individual, you will need to include: 1) Member(s) name(s), 2) Club name, and 3) tag the CWF Instagram account **@ivcwf2018**, the hashtag of the month **#MyPlateEatFresh**, and the hashtag **#CWFHEAL**. Make sure that your account is public so we will be able to view your post! Be as creative as you like and you can enter as many posts per month as you would like. Make sure to remind your club members to participate in each monthly Challenge. **Don't forget to include a name & club on all posts.**

**December Healthy Living Challenge: (Instagram) #MyPlateEatFresh #CWFHEAL @ivcwf2018**

CWF Video Link: <http://facebook.com/imperialcounty4h> and Instagram!

**Individual Challenge: I pledge to be a My Plate Champion!**

**Club Challenge: We pledge to be My Plate Champions!**

**My Plate Resources:** <https://www.choosemyplate.gov/>

**Free Health Apps: MyPlate & My Fitness Pal**

