



FairEntry – Virtual Fair “Tips and Things to Think Through”

COMMUNICATION: Take time to communicate to your county:

- County Fair board members
- Extension Staff
- Judges
- 4-H members/parents
- FFA members
- Anyone else?

ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY:

- What are the limitations?
- Do your members/county staff have enough bandwidth for uploading?
- Do your members/leaders have access to view information adequately?
- Judges: Are they comfortable in doing this virtually? Plan ahead!

Registrations will require several uploads during the process, have all of the information and organized prior to registering exhibitor (s) – especially if several members are in the family. Do not submit too EARLY! This isn't an undo in the family account. Only county account can 'send back'

Judging Score Sheets – Word Document – export members from 4-H Online and mail merge by project and send to the judges ahead of time so they have the names of the members that enter into the Fair. **This would take a bit of time to organize!!

CAUTION: Showmanship Classes:

Videos can be inconsistent between members – Some could have unfair advantages with technology limitations. Image clarity etc. Maybe rethink the presentation to focus presentation and preparedness. How was the confidence of the member of what they learned from start to finish?

Ending Weight of Animals? – Upload a picture of scale and tag # of animal for uploading an image – or textbox question to enter ending weight of the animal. This is 1 option to get the ending weight of animals.

Think about the number of classes: Ex: Horse – may not be able to offer all classes with a virtual experience.

Be sure to enable “Publish Results” Main Fair Level and Division Hierarchy**

Published results will display with pictures (via hyperlink) – company is working on this **

Company did add a blanket statement asking: Do you want to share your information publicly? Yes or No – If no they won't be publish on screen.

DO NOT USE: Automatic Approval of Entries! High discouraged. County staff unable to send back to member is this is set automatically.



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Provide tips on what and what should not be included in an image. Always remember the 4-H Code of Conduct for images and presentations.

Open Class may be difficult to achieve depending on the population that is entering the information.

TURN ON Entry Description! This would allow for exhibitors to copy/paste url where video is located (ie: Youtube, Vimeo, etc.)

REMEMBER: This is optional! You are not required to make any changes to your county fairs. Just providing an option to do so.

BE FLEXIBLE! This is different for everyone!

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