

4-H CLOTHING DAYS

Rhodes Center

Tuesday, August 4; Wednesday, August 5; & Thursday, August 6, 2026
Shannon Carter, Jami Dellifield & Christine Kendle, Assistant Superintendents

GENERAL GUIDELINES:

1. Age of Participants

- 4-H Age as of 1/1/2026

2. Participation Guidelines:

- All participants will take part in the judging indicated for their class.
- Counties may select one individual to participate in each class, J-1 through J-24.
- Individuals may participate in a total of 2 classes; they must be in different Style Revues.
- Participants must be enrolled in and have completed the project in which they are enrolled as listed in the 2026 Project Guide. It is unethical and strictly prohibited for members to switch from one project to another after enrollment/county judging for the purposes of competing at the Ohio State Fair.
- 4-H'ers who take more than one clothing project must complete separate learning experiences related to each, *including creating a separate, complete, total look outfit FOR EACH PROJECT*. For example, a top made for one project cannot be used in another project; an outfit used in one project cannot be used with an Outerwear project. All outfit components must be unique to that outfit.
- Once an individual wins a Clock Trophy in a particular class, they may not participate in the same class again.
- Members must participate in the Style Revue for their project to be eligible for awards.

3. 4-H Clothing Project Evaluation and Registration: **Please read before coming to judging!**

- Participants should arrive at the judging area dressed in the outfit they made or assembled according to the guidelines and information in their project book.
 - Dressing rooms are located at the lobby end of the Rhodes Center hallway on the right and will be available from 8:00 am to 6 pm. Dressing rooms are locked at 6 pm.
 - Dressing rooms are only for participants while they are being judged. Be considerate of space limitation and remove items at completion of style revue.
- Registration takes place in the judging area. Please be sure to have the following items for registration:
 - Participant letter signed by your County 4-H Youth Development Educator.
 - Completed Fashion Revue Narration Card.
 - Completed Project Book.
 - Items listed in State Fair Requirement sheet for the project.
 - Special awards forms (Harbage, MCE, Fashion Revue, Rising Star, or Consumer), if applicable.
- While in the judging area, participants will complete an interview with a judge and a practice run-through for the style revue. Judges will evaluate knowledge, skill, and understanding of project techniques. The judges will be using the criteria on the score sheet (see sample score sheet and project requirement sheet).
- If the participant is 13 years of age or under, a parent/guardian must remain in the auditorium.

4-H FASHION REVUE PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE

A.M. Style Revue – Registration 8:45-9:00 am; Judging 9:00 am; Style Revue 11:30 a.m.

P.M. Style Revue – Registration 1:15-1:30 pm; Judging 1:30 pm; Style Revue 4:00 p.m.

TUESDAY a.m. Style Revue

J-1 Terrific Tops

J-2 Clothing for Middle School

J-3 Creative Costumes

WEDNESDAY a.m. Style Revue

J-8 Accessories for Teens Jr. (8-13)

J-9 Accessories for Teens Sr. (14-18)

J-10 Sew for Others Jr. (8-13)

J-11 Sew for Others Sr. (14-18)

J-12 Dress Up Daywear

THURSDAY a.m. Style Revue

J-18 Loungewear Jr. (8-13)

J-19 Loungewear Sr. (14-18)

J-20 em*bel*lish

J-21 Clothes for HS & College

TUESDAY p.m. Style Revue

J-4 Sundresses & Jumpers

J-5 Shopping Savvy Jr. (8-13)

J-6 Shopping Savvy Sr. (14-18)

J-7 Dress Up Formalwear

WEDNESDAY p.m. Style Revue

J-13 Sew Fun Jr. (8-10)

J-14 Sew Fun Sr. (11-18)

J-15 Look Great for Less Jr. (8-13)

J-16 Look Great for Less Sr. (14-18)

J-17 Clothing for Your Career

THURSDAY p.m. Style Revue

J-22 Designed by Me

J-23 Ready, Set, Sew Active!

J-24 Outerwear for Anywhere

- **4-Hers must participate in interview judging AND the Style Revue to be eligible for awards.**
- **Individuals may participate in a total of 2 classes; *they must be in different Style Revues.***
- **4-H'ers who take more than one clothing project must complete separate learning experiences related to each, including creating a separate, complete, total look outfit FOR EACH PROJECT**

OHIO STATE FAIR CLOTHING AWARDS AND SPONSORS

- All participants will receive a participation ribbon, sponsored by the Ohio State Fair.
- "Outstanding of the Day" ribbons, are awarded to the top 20% of each class.
- A clock trophy will be presented to the winner of each class during the style revue. In 2025 the trophies were sponsored by **Tessie Lucas, Ohio Township Association, Judge Frederick D. & Dr. Kathryn C. Pepple, Norma Pitts, and Mary Roediger.**
- Awards are given at the discretion of the state fair clothing judges and assistant superintendents.
- Daily finalists for fiber awards and special awards will be announced during the afternoon fashion revue. Award nominees cannot be selected as a daily finalist more than one time each award cycle. The overall winners will be announced during the Thursday afternoon Style Revue.
- Results will be posted online at <https://ohio4h.org/ohiostatefair>.

FIBER AWARD:

Wool Award: Participants who do an outstanding job in using 100% wool or wool blend (minimum 60% wool or specialty wool fiber) in their garments will be eligible to compete for an award from the Ohio Sheep & Wool Program, the Ohio Sheep Improvement Association and Ohio Make it Yourself with Wool.

SPECIAL AWARDS requiring county nominations.

- Counties may nominate only one individual per award.
- Nominees cannot be considered for multiple special awards in the same year (Harbage, MCE, Fashion Revue, Rising Star and Consumer Clothing).
- Award winners cannot win any award more than once in their 4-H career.
- Nominees may only be selected as a daily finalist one time each award cycle.
- Applicants must present a completed Clothing Awards Application (with clothing emphasis) with an accompanying photo page when registering in their project judging area. Nominees may submit only one award application, even if they are competing in two projects; both projects should be indicated on the single submitted application.

1. HARBAGE FAMILY 4-H CLOTHING AWARD

- Nominee must be at least a junior in high school as of January 1, 2026.
- Selection is based on overall outstanding achievement in 4-H clothing and evidence of leadership skills throughout their involvement in the 4-H program, as submitted in the OSF Clothing Award Application.

2. MASTER CLOTHING EDUCATORS OF OHIO AWARD

- Senior Category (age 16 & up) Junior category (age 12 -15) as of January 1, 2026.
- Nominee must be enrolled in one of the clothing construction projects. These include J-1, J-2, J-3, J-4, J-7, J-10, J-11, J-12, J-13, J-14, J-17, J-18, J-19, J-21, J-23, and J-24.
- Selection is based on overall outstanding achievement in 4-H clothing and evidence of leadership skills throughout their involvement in the 4-H program, as submitted in the OSF Clothing Award Application.

3. OHIO 4-H FASHION REVUE AWARD

- Nominee must be enrolled in one of the clothing construction projects. These include J-1, J-2, J-3, J-4, J-7, J-10, J-11, J-12, J-13, J-14, J-17, J-18, J-19, J-21, J-23, and J-24.
- Selection is based on total look outfit and overall outstanding achievement in 4-H clothing, as submitted in the OSF Clothing Award Application.

4. RISING STAR

- Nominee must be age 8-11 as of January 1, 2026.
- Nominee must be enrolled in one of the clothing construction projects. Appropriate Beginner and Intermediate clothing construction projects include J-1, J-2, J-4, J-10, J-13, J-18, and J-23.
- Selection is based on 4-Her's goals and aspirations as told through the submitted 4-H story. Nominee must submit an OSF Clothing Award Application.

5. OHIO 4-H CONSUMER CLOTHING AWARD

- Nominee must be enrolled in a clothing consumer project (Shopping Savvy or Look Great for Less).
- Selection is based on total look outfit and overall outstanding achievement in 4-H clothing, as submitted in the OSF Clothing Award Application.

STATE FAIR CLOTHING PROJECT GUIDELINES

Outfit components may not be used in two different state fair clothing projects. All projects are to be made by and for the exhibiting 4-H'er (with the exception of Sew for Others, to be worn by another person). Bring project book for all projects.

J-1 TERRIFIC TOPS: Wear the top you constructed with assembled outfit and accessories for the total look.

J-2 CLOTHING FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL: Wear the garment you constructed (garment with sleeves or a skirt or pants plus a top) along with assembled outfit and accessories for the total look to wear to school.

J-3 CREATIVE COSTUMES: Wear the costume you made for yourself. You will be judged on the mastery of the project book in addition to the garment constructed. **If the project is repeated for multiple years, a new costume category must be selected.**

J-4 SUNDRESSES & JUMPERS: Wear the sundress or jumper you constructed with accessories for the total look.

J-5 & J-6 SHOPPING SAVVY: (Junior 8-13; Senior 14-18) Wear a total look outfit assembled according to the information in your project to convey the image you wish to project to the judges. However, you will be judged on mastery of the project book rather than the outfit worn unless the outfit was put

together to complete an activity within the project. Bring completed poster, pages, or visual showing completed activities.

- J-7 DRESS-UP OUTFIT - FORMAL WEAR:** Wear the dress-up garment you constructed for formal wear and accessories for the total look.
- J-8 & J-9 ACCESSORIES FOR TEENS:** (Junior 8-13; Senior 14-18) Wear at least one accessory you made with the outfit for which it was designed. Outfit components may not be used in another state fair clothing project.
- J-10 & J-11 SEW FOR OTHERS:** (Junior 8-13; Senior 14-18) It is desirable, but not required, for the “other” to be present to show an outfit you made at the judging and Fashion Revue. If the other cannot be present, simply bring the garment you made to show the judge. **We limit the number of “others” and outfits to no more than one “other” outfit per entrant. Choose one outfit that best represents your work to bring to the State Fair. If the project is repeated for multiple years, a new category of “other” must be selected.**
- J-12 DRESS-UP OUTFIT - DAY WEAR:** Wear the dress-up garment you constructed for day wear and accessories for the total look. Outfit components may not be used in another state fair clothing project.
- J-13 & J-14 SEW FUN:** (Junior 8-10; Senior 11-18) Wear the garment you made using an “easy” or “beginner” pattern (skirt, shorts, pants, or capris with a full elastic waistline). Do not bring your pin cushion or sewing box to the Ohio State Fair.
- J-15 & J-16 LOOK GREAT FOR LESS:** (Junior 8-13; Senior 14-18) Wear the “total look” outfit you put together as inexpensively as possible. The total look includes clothing, accessories, jewelry, shoes, etc. It is acceptable to use an item or two from those you already own but remember this is a shopping project and the majority of your total look should be items purchased using skills you’ve learned while doing this project. Bring completed poster, pages or visual showing completed activities.
- J-17 CLOTHING FOR YOUR CAREER:** Wear the outfit you made. The outfit should have at least 2 pieces, appropriate for the job, work or an interview (suit, uniform or work outfit). Outfit components may not be used in another state fair clothing project.
- J-18 & J-19 LOUNGEWEAR:** (Junior 8-13; Senior 14-18) Construct the outer layer of a lounging outfit. Participants will need to state what they are considering to be their outer lounging garment for judging. Make or select other garments and accessories (sleepwear and footwear) to complete your outfit.
- J-20 em-bel-lish:** Bring the previously made garment or ready-to-wear garment selected from your wardrobe or a ready-to-wear garment that you embellished. Select other garments and accessories for a total look outfit. Bring completed activities, *Talking it Over* pages and completed notebook with at least 3 samples of embellishment techniques you tried, including the technique you used on the garment you selected. Outfit components may not be used in another state fair clothing project.
- J-21 CLOTHING FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE:** Wear the garment you constructed (minimum of two pieces or a one-piece garment with sleeves plus some other fashion detail not tried before).
- J-22 DESIGNED BY ME:** Wear your decorated top (with the 2 embellishment methods you used) with the completed outfit you assembled for a total look. Bring completed poster, pages or visual showing completed activities.
- J-23 READY, SET, SEW ACTIVE!:** Wear the garment you constructed for active sports.
- J-24 OUTERWEAR FOR ANYWHERE:** Wear outer garment constructed and accessories for the total look. Outfit components may not be used in another state fair clothing project.

4-H Clothing Evaluation Sheet

___ My outfit contains wool

Name _____ County _____ Age _____ (as of Jan. 1)				
Project/Class _____				
	Excellent	Good	Needs Improvement	Comments:
Project Book				
Project Knowledge				
Garment or Display (as applicable) -Fashion -Design -Fit -Construction				
Other Comments				

2025 Clock Trophy Winners

Class	Name	County
Accessories for Teens Jr	Evelyn Dunn	Brown
Accessories for Teens Sr	Gwynavere Barr	Franklin
Clothes for HS and College	Kenzie Gantz	Clark
Clothing for Middle School	Cora Riemenschneider	Portage
Clothing for Your Career	Kensey Parker	Clinton
Creative Costumes	Ellie Howell	Meigs
Designed by Me	Clara Barrett	Mahoning
Dress Up Daywear	Ashleigh Willyerd	Delaware
Dress Up Formalwear	Jenna Canale	Portage
em·bel·lish	Peyton Patridge	Fairfield
Look Great for Less Jr	Alexis England	Mahoning
Look Great for Less Sr	Emily Eldridge	Stark
Loungewear Jr	Emily Adams	Logan
Loungewear Sr	Jenna Canale	Portage
Outerwear for Anywhere	Sophia Hicks	Madison
Ready, Set, Sew Active	Aubrey Grove	Tuscarawas
Sew for Others Jr	Rowyn McPeak	Portage
Sew for Others Sr	Katie Eldridge	Stark
Sew Fun Jr	Eva Florito	Holmes
Sew Fun Sr	Rachel Betts	Hancock
Shopping Savvy Jr	Clara Reitzel	Williams
Shopping Savvy Sr	Emma Yochum	Highland
Sundresses and Jumpers	Natalie Graham	Muskingum
Terrific Tops	Kenae Bennett	Licking

2025 Special Award Winners

Harbage	Julia Luallen	Fairfield
Fashion Revue	Elizabeth Waldron	Butler
Rising Star	Rowyn McPeak	Portage
Master Clothing Educator Jr	Jenna Canale	Portage
Master Clothing Educator Sr	Madyson Christman	Guernsey
Consumer	Clara Reitzel	Williams