2023 Norton County Fair Schedule

Saturday, July 1st
Online entries due for All 4-H/FFA and Open Class
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.- Pre-entries to Open Class Horse Show to Extension office.

Wednesday, July 12th
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.- Pre-registration entries for clothing due to Extension Office.

Friday, July 14th
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.- Pre-entries for Andbe Home Pet Show & 4-H building booth and banner space requests due in Extension office.

Saturday, July 15th
8:00 a.m.- Open Class Horse Show check-in at Equine Facility
9:00 a.m.- Open Class Horse Show

Monday, July 17th
6:30 p.m.- 4-H Dog Show, Andbe Home
7:15 p.m.- 4-H Cat & Pets Show, Andbe Home

Tuesday, July 18th
TBA- Judge 4-H Clothing Construction
5:30 p.m.- Judge 4-H Clothing Buymanship
7:00 p.m.- 4-H Public Fashion Revue, 4-H Building

Wednesday, July 19th
6:30 p.m.- 4-H Food Stand set up and clean up

Friday, July 21st
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.- Final work session for clean-up and set up, 4-H Building, and Livestock Building

Saturday, July 22nd
10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.- Enter 4-H/Open Class Photography & Judging
10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.- 4-H Photography & Life Skills Judging
12:00 p.m.-12:30 p.m.- Lunch Break
2:30 p.m.- Judging of Open Class Photography (will start after 4-H judging)

Monday, July 24th
8:00 a.m.- 4-H and FFA Horse Show Entry
9:00 a.m.- Horse Show-Showmanship & Halter Classes
10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.- Enter 4-H & Open Class Art & Drawing exhibits, and Department Save Exhibits, 4-H Building

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.- Enter 4-H & Open Class Models, Self-determined Lego’s, Rockets, and Woodworking
12:30 p.m.- Judging Open Class and 4-H Artwork Exhibits, 4-H Building
1:00 p.m.- Critique Open Class Artwork, 4-H Building
1:00 p.m.- Superintendent will receive all 4-H Exhibits (Food exhibits will be accepted and set aside until judging time), 4-H Building
2:30 p.m.- Judge 4-H & Open Class Models, Self-determined Lego’s, Rockets, and Woodworking
2:30 p.m.- Enter and Consultation Judging of 4-H Foods and Nutrition Exhibits
2:30 p.m.- Enter Culinary
2:30 p.m.- Judge Open Class Culinary
5:30 p.m.- Auction of 4-H Foods Exhibits, 4-H Building
7:00 p.m.- Timed and Speed events for 4-H/FFA Horse Show
9:00 p.m.- Booths in place at 4-H Building

Tuesday, July 25th
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.- Animal Entry and Weigh-in, at Fairgrounds
Hogs-8:00 a.m.-9:15 a.m., Beef 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m., Goats and Lambs-10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

By Noon- Youth and Open Class Animals entered at Livestock Building, Rabbit & Poultry Building
9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.- Superintendent will receive all Open Class Exhibits at 4-H Building (except Horticulture and Flowers, entered Wednesday)
9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.- Enter Open Class Textiles and Handicrafts
9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.- Enter Quilts, Coverlets and Home Sewing
1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.- Enter and Judge 4-H Fiber Arts
1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.- Enter and Consultation Judging of 4-H Skilled Arts and Crafts
1:00 p.m.- All Open Class entries at 4-H Building are in place (except Horticulture and Flowers, entered Wednesday)
1:00 p.m.- Judge Open Class Textiles and Handicrafts
1:30 p.m.- Enter and Judge 4-H/Open Class Entomology, Geology, Small Engines and Electric
1:30 p.m.- Judge of Quilts, Coverlets, and Home Sewing
2:00 p.m.- Judge 4-H Rabbits then Poultry
4:30 p.m.- What makes a Blue Ribbon Quilt? Judge’s Comments
6:00 p.m.- Local Talent Concert Sponsored by Norton Ministerial Alliance
6:30 p.m. - Judging of Swine
6:30 p.m. - Farm Mechanics
6:30 p.m.-11:30 p.m. - Home Owned Carnival on Fairground
   Arm Band Night (does not include games)
7:00 p.m. - Roger Cooper Concert Sponsored by Norton Ministerial Alliance
8:00 p.m. - Team Sorting Sponsored by Norton County Horse Council
8:00 p.m. - Farmer Team Sorting Sponsored by Norton County Horse Council
9:00 p.m. - 4-H Building Closed

**Wednesday, July 26th**
8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. - Enter 4-H and Open Class Horticulture
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. - Enter 4-H and Open Class Flower Exhibits
9:00 a.m. - Judging Bucket Calves and other Beef
10:30 a.m. - Crops Judging
11:00 a.m. - Judging of Horticulture Exhibits
1:00 p.m. - Judging of 4-H Reading (Group Session)
1:00 p.m. - Judging of Booths, Banners, Posters, Notebooks
1:00 p.m. - Judging of Flowers
3:00 p.m. - Judging of Sheep, Meat Goats, and then Dairy Goats
5:30 p.m. - 4-H Pork Burger Special, Elmwood Park, provided by Firebolt Ag, LLC
5:30 p.m. - Watermelon Feed, sponsored by Jamboree Foods
6:30 p.m. - Quilt of Valor Presentation in the Livestock Barn
6:30 p.m.-11:30 p.m. - Home Owned Carnival on Fairgrounds
7:00 p.m. - Arlen Ruhnke Memorial Youth Team Penning (18 & under), sponsored by Norton County Horse Council
9:00 p.m. - 4-H Building Closed

**Thursday, July 27th**
10:00 a.m. - Agricultural Challenge of Champions Contest
10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. - Youth Entomology and Crops Judging
12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m. - Youth Livestock Judging Contest
2:15 p.m.-Pictures of Special Awards in 4-H Building
2:45 p.m. - Round Robin Showmanship Clinic, Livestock Barn
3:30 p.m. - Round Robin Showmanship, Livestock Barn
5:00 p.m. - 4-H & FFA Horses check out at Equine Facility
6:00 p.m. - Presentation of Challenge of Champions award, Norton County 4-H Scholarships, and Friend of 4-H award
6:00 p.m. - Market Animal Sale: Hogs, Goats, Sheep, Beef
6:30 p.m.-11:30 p.m. - Home Owned Carnival on Fairgrounds
8:00 p.m. - Check out at Rabbit & Poultry Building, Livestock Building (after livestock sale)
8:30 p.m. - Round Robin Roping sponsored by Norton County Horse Council
9:00 p.m. - 4-H Building Closed

**Friday, July 28th**
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. - Clean-up at Livestock Buildings
8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. - Check out all entries - 4-H Building
9:00 a.m. - Clean-up 4-H Building
5:15 p.m. - Check in Pedal Power Pull, 4-H Building
5:45 p.m. - Pedal Power Pull Contest for Youth ages 4 to 12 years. Followed by adult celebrities. Sponsored by Landmark Implement of Phillipsburg
Prizes sponsored by Andbe Home
6:30 p.m.-11:30 p.m. - Home Owned Carnival on Fairgrounds, Arm Band Night (does not include games)
6:30 p.m. - Registration for Mutton Busting, at Equine Facility
   *Only a parent/guardian can register child
   * Must not exceed 55 lbs.
   * Contestant must be able to ride alone or have a parent beside them
7:00 p.m. - Weston Harting, LLC Mutton Busting at Equine Facility, Sponsored by Farm Bureau Financial Services, State Farm Insurance, American Family Insurance, Breese Crop Agency, LLC, Edward Jones, Boxler Insurance Agency, Iron Insurance Partners, and Moffet Drug. Prizes sponsored by Pizza Hut.
7:30 p.m. - Pre-entries for Ranch Rodeo, sponsored by Norton County Horse Council
7:30 p.m. - Touch a Tractor/Ice Cream Social - Norton County Farm Bureau Association
8:00 p.m. - Ranch Rodeo sponsored by Norton County Horse Council

**Saturday, July 29th**
7:00 p.m. - XTREEM Flat Track Motorcycle Races
6:30 p.m.-11:30 p.m. - Home Owned Carnival on Fairgrounds
All campers and trailers must be removed from the fairgrounds.