

## Tractor

Description: The 4-H tractor and mower safety and operator skills program provides youth with educational information that develops project skills (i.e., principles of engine operation, hydraulic systems, electrical systems, safe operation) and life skills (i.e., decision making, using science and technology, developing communication skills). These fun-filled, hands-on learning experiences are provided under the direction of caring adults.

State Fair Entry: 1 per Level

- Enroll in 4-H, pay annual program fee, and enter project in V2.4online by May 15
- Enter exhibit(s) in FairEntry by May 24, 2024. See page 7 Rule #24.
- Exhibits checked-in Saturday, June 15, 2024 from 9am-12, judging starts at 12:30 pm

An Allen County 4-H General Record Sheet must be completed, signed and turned in at the beginning of check-in for All Exhibit Building Projects.

**ALL LEVELS:** (1) See Allen County General 4-H Rules: Poster Rule & Label Rule.

**Level 1: Grades 3 & 4**

**Level 2: Grades 5 & 6**

**Level 3: Grades 7, 8, 9**

**Level 4: Grades 10, 11, 12**

All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author when using outside sources, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which references are listed.

**Level A (grades 3-4 suggested):** Create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any tractor safety, maintenance, operating system or operation topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.

**Level B (grades 5-6 suggested):** Create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any tractor safety, maintenance, operating system or operation topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.

**Level C (grades 7-9 suggested):** Create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any tractor safety, maintenance, operating system or operation topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.

**Level D (grades 10-12 suggested):** Create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any tractor safety, maintenance, operating system or operation topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate. Youth can also design and complete an independent study activity.

**TRACTOR DRIVING CONTEST:** (Optional) You must be enrolled and complete the project with exhibit requirements in order to participate in the Tractor Driving Contest. Area Contest Date will be available in the summer.

**Operator Skills Option:** The operator skills component is an educational and training activity conducted by adult 4-H volunteers. A parent or guardian is encouraged to be present when their child is operating a tractor. The adult 4-H volunteer has the authority to deny a child the opportunity to participate in the operator skills option when it is deemed a child is unable to safely operate a tractor due to size, weight, or any other reason that could place the child and/or others in harm.

**Junior (grades 3-7 suggested):** Youth will demonstrate their operation skills by driving a tractor and wagon or trailer through an obstacle course as outlined in 4-H 84, Conducting 4-H Operator Safety Contests.

**Senior (grades 8-12 suggested):** Youth will demonstrate their operation skills by driving a tractor and wagon or trailer through an obstacle course as outlined in 4-H 84, Conducting 4-H Operator Safety Contests.