

How to Register for an Event in 4-H Online

4-H Contests and Events at the Maryland State Fair

Maryland 4-H hosts a number of contests and events at the Maryland State Fair, including judging contests, communications and performance events, engineering events, and the Robotics Challenge.

The State Fair has its own online entry system that 4-Hers must use to register their exhibits and animals for State Fair competition. However, certain 4-H competitive and performance events cannot be registered using the State Fair's online system. Many of these events have restrictions, qualifications, or additional requirements that must be verified and approved by the local 4-H Educator. These events are registered through 4-H Online.

The 4-H events at the 2021 Maryland State Fair that are registered in 4-H Online are:

4-H Dairy Goat Judging & Skills Event	4-H Fashion Revue	4-H Bicycle Safety Event
4-H Dairy Judging Contest	4-H Presents!	4-H Electricity/Energy Event
4-H Livestock Judging Contest	4-H Top Chef!	4-H Small Engine Event
4-H Poultry & Egg Judging Contest	4-H Club Booths & Banners	4-H Lawn Tractor Event
4-H Rabbit Judging Contest	4-H Horticultural Judging Contest	4-H Tractor Operator Safety Event
4-H Dog Show	4-H Horticultural Communications Contest	4-H Robotics Challenge

4-H members who want to participate in these events will submit their entries through the 4-H Online event registration process. There is a separate registration portal for each event listed above. Individuals who wish to participate as contestants or coaches should follow the steps below.

See the chart on the last page of this guide for more information about registering in 4-H Online for the 4-H State Fair events listed above. If you want to participate in a State Fair exhibit opportunity or event that is not listed here, you can find the State Fair online entry system on the <u>Maryland State Fair website</u>.

To submit your entry for a 4-H event at the Maryland State Fair, follow these steps:

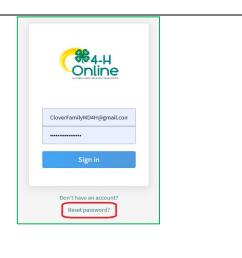
1. Log in to 4-H Online

Sign into your family's 4-H Online profile using your family email and password.

If you forgot your password, you can reset it from the home screen. The reset link will be sent to the email address associated with your profile.

Your County 4-H Online Manager can also reset your password, if necessary.

Your profile will open to your family's Member List.









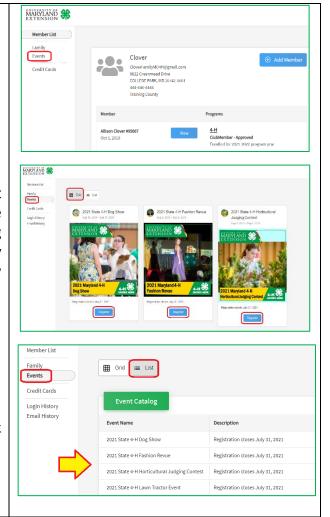
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2. Locate the Contest Registration

Click **Events** on the left sidebar.

When the Events page opens you will see the event information for all 18 of the 4-H events at the Maryland State Fair. Each event has its own registration process. Depending on the view setting you have chosen, the events may display as a box with a graphic or on a list. You can change the view by clicking **Grid** or **List** at the top of the page.

To open an event, click the **Register** button (grid view) or click on the **event name** (list view).



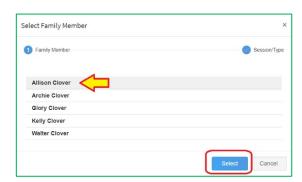
3. Identify the Participant

The Family Member list will display all youth and adult members who are of an eligible age for the event or contest.

- **Club Booth and Banner** entries should be registered by the **4-H Club leader** in his/her Volunteer profile.
- Robotics Challenge adult and senior-age youth Team Coaches must register using their member/Volunteer profiles

Identify the 4-H member who is entering the event by clicking to highlight their name on the list. Click the **Select** button to continue.

NOTE: If a member's name does not appear on the participant list, verify that their enrollment status is **approved.** Only 4-Hers and Volunteers who are enrolled for the current year can register for 4-H State Fair events.





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4. Choose the Member's Participant Type

The participant type(s) will display based on the member's eligibility:

If more than one participant type displays, select the correct one by clicking on the row.

If no participant type displays, the member is not eligible to participate in the event.

Click Start Registration to proceed.

NOTE: If there is more than one participant type displayed, the Start Registration button will not activate until one type is selected.

Select Family Member 2 Session/Type Name Role Registration Start Date Registration End Date Junior Contestant ClubMember Jun 29, 2021 Aug 1, 2021 Back Start Registration

5. Complete the Contest Registration

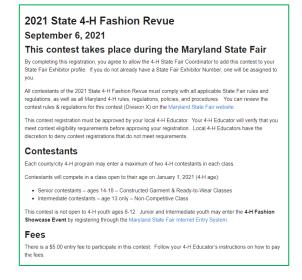
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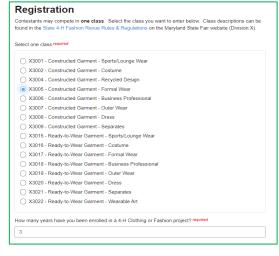
- 1. Questions
- 2. Consents
- 3. Payment
- 4. Confirmation

Read the **entry instructions** at the top of the page.

Answer the questions in the **Registration** section. Different events will have different questions. All events will require you to select the class/division the 4-Her will enter.

If you enter a team-based contest, you will **not** need to identify your team when you register. Your 4-H Educator will add your team information when they review your registration.







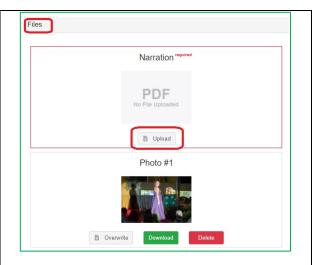
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Several events require the member to upload documents or photos as part of their registration. They are:

- Fashion Revue member must upload photo(s) of the outfit they will model
- **Dog Show** member must upload proof of rabies vaccination for each dog they will show

Refer to the contest/show rules and regulations on the Maryland State Fair website for more information. Links to the event rules and regulations can be found in the **entry instructions**.

When you have answered all registration questions, click the **Next** button to continue.



6. Sign the Consent

All youth and adults are required to sign the **Maryland 4-H Event Liability Release and Informed Consent** to participate in this event.

Once you have read the consent, type the required names into the signature field(s) at the bottom. For youth participants, a parent/guardian must also sign.

Click the bubble next to the agreement statement.

Click **Next** to continue.

NOTE: The Next button will not activate until all signatures are completed and the agreement statement is selected.

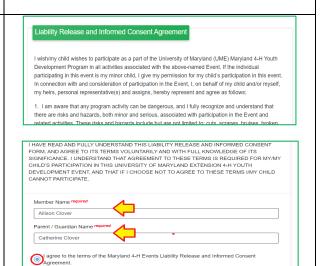
7. Select Payment Method

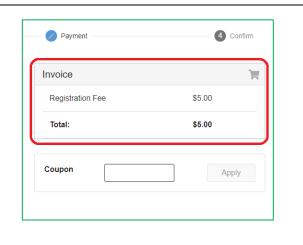
NOTE: The Payments page will not display for events or Coach registrations where no fee is required. Go to **Step 8.**

Most 4-H State Fair contests charge an **entry fee.** There is no fee for a 4-Her/club to participate in these events:

- 4-H Presents!
- 4-H Top Chef!
- 4-H Dog Show
- 4-H Club Booth & Banner

The entry fee for the event will display in the invoice section of the page.







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The member must choose a payment type to pay the fee. The two payment options are:

- Pay by Card the fee is paid by the family through 4-H Online, using a credit/debit card attached to the family profile.
- Pay by Check the fee is paid by the county/city 4-H program, outside of 4-H Online.

Contact your 4-H Educator before selecting a payment method. Your local 4-H program may pay your entry fee. Follow the payment selection instructions provided by your 4-H Educator.

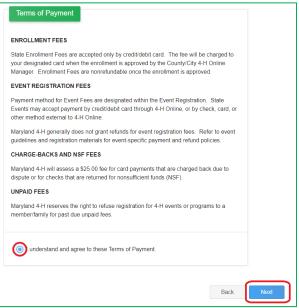
To select your payment method, click your card information or the Pay by Check button. You may add credit/debit card to your profile by clicking the Add New Card button.

When the **Terms of Payment** screen appears, click the bubble next to the agreement statement.

Click **Next** to proceed.

NOTE: The Next button will not activate until the agreement statement is selected.





8. Confirm and Submit the Registration

Review the registration summary. Click the **Finish** button to submit your entry.

If you selected **Pay by Card** as your payment option, your credit/debit card will be verified when you submit your registration. Your card will be charged when your 4-H Educator approves your registration.

Once you have submitted your entry, it may not be changed unless it is sent back by your 4-H Educator for correction.





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9. Entry Confirmation and Processing

After you submit your entry you will be returned to the **Events** page of the member profile. You will see the contest/event name displayed, and your registration status as **Pending Approval**.

You will also receive an email verifying that your contest registration was received.

Your registration is not complete until it is approved. Your entry will be reviewed by your 4-H Educator* to verify your eligibility based on contest/event rules, regulations, and requirements. 4-H Educators have the discretion and responsibility to deny contest registrations that do not meet eligibility requirements.

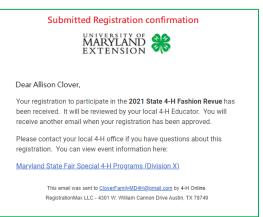
***NOTE:** 4-H Presents! and Top Chef! registrations do not require 4-H Educator approval. They will be automatically approved when submitted by the member.

If your 4-H Educator notices something in your registration that is incomplete or needs to be corrected, they may send it back to you for correction and resubmittal. You will be notified by email if your registration is sent back. The registration must be resubmitted before the event registration close date.

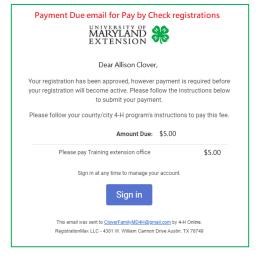
If you selected **Pay by Check** as your payment option, you will receive a payment due notification email when your 4-H Educator approves your registration. **You can disregard this notice.** If your 4-H Educator approves your **Pay by Check** registration, the county/city 4-H office will pay your entry fee for this event.

You will be notified by email as your registration moves through each step of the review and approval process. You can also check your registration status on the **Events** tab of your member profile in 4-H Online.











Events

To access your member profile, click the **View** button next to the name on the **Member List**. Once the profile opens, click **Events** on the left sidebar menu to view the member's event registrations.



Programs

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2021 State 4-H Fashion Revue - 2021-2022

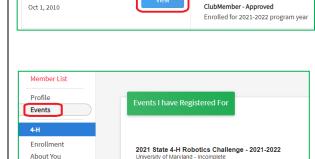
10. Finishing an Incomplete Registration

If you start a contest registration but do not finish it, you can return to it later. To access an incomplete registration, go to your family's **Member List** and click the blue **View** button next to the member's name. The member profile will open.

Click the **Events** tab on the left sidebar. A list of all events the member has accessed will display. You will see the registration status for the event is **Incomplete**.

Click on the event name to open the registration page. You can then resume registration from where you left off.

NOTE: You will not be able to submit an incomplete registration after the entry deadline has passed.



Member

Activities

Animals

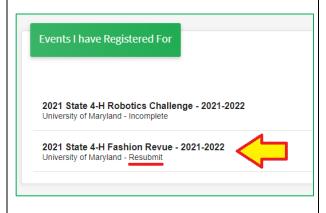
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11. Correcting and resubmitting a Sent Back Registration

If your 4-H Educator sends back your registration for correction, its status changes to **Resubmit.** Follow the instructions in **Step 10** to access, correct, and resubmit your returned registration.

You must resubmit your corrected registration before the entry deadline.

Equal Access Programs





2021 4-H State Fair Events Registered in 4-H Online

The following 4-H contests and events that take place at the 2021 Maryland State Fair are registered in 4-H Online:

Contest or Event	Event Date	Entry Fee	Registered by	Notes
4-H/FFA HOME ARTS BUILDING EVENTS				
4-H Club Booths & Banners	August 24	No fee	Club Leader	Club entries made in 4-H Volunteer/Club Leader's profile
4-H Fashion Revue	September 6	\$5.00	4-H Member	Must upload narration and photo(s) of outfit 4-Her will model in the contest Senior 4-Hers (14-18) and 13-year-olds only
4-H Presents!	Varies	No fee	4-H Member	No 4-H Educator approval required
4-H Top Chef!	Varies	No fee	4-H Member	No 4-H Educator approval required
ENGINEERING & ROBOTICS EVENTS				
4- H Tractor Operator Safety Event	August 25	\$5.00	4-H Member	Senior 4-Hers (14-18) only
4-H Lawn Tractor Event	August 26	\$5.00	4-H Member	Senior (14-18) and Intermediate (11-13) 4-Hers only
4-H Small Engine Event	August 26	\$5.00	4-H Member	Do not use State Fair entry system to register
4-H Bicycle Safety Event	August 27	\$5.00	4-H Member	Do not use State Fair entry system to register
4-H Electricity/Energy Event	August 27	\$5.00	4-H Member	Do not use State Fair entry system to register
4-H Robotics Challenge	August 29	\$5.00	4-H Member	Team-based contest
			or Adult Coach	
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE EVENTS				
4-H Horticultural Judging Contest	September 4	\$5.00	4-H Member	Team-based contest
4-H Horticultural Communications Event	September 4	\$5.00	4-H Member	
ANIMAL SCIENCE EVENTS				
4-H Dairy Goat Judging & Skills Event	August 27	\$5.00	4-H Member	
4-H Dairy Judging Contest	September 4	\$13.00	4-H Member	Team-based contest
4-H Livestock Judging Contest	September 4	\$13.00	4-H Member	Team-based contest
4-H Poultry & Egg Judging Contest	September 4	\$5.00	4-H Member	Team-based contest
4-H Rabbit Judging Contest	September 4	\$5.00	4-H Member	Team-based contest
4-H Dog Show	September 11	No fee	4-H Member	Must upload proof of rabies vaccination for each dog entered in the show

