



2020-RONA CLUB INFORMATION

Overview: The youth of Dane County are an engaging population of the Dane County Fair and provide a creative energy of excitement. The Coronavirus pandemic world-wide outbreak impacted the Dane County Fair, held at the Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI with its cancellation of the 2020 Fair. The Board of Directors assessed the risk to exhibitors, their family, Fair volunteers and the public and the uncertainty for social gatherings and the financial implications were evaluated and ultimately canceled the Fair.

The Board of Directors announced any youth exhibitor who is aging out of (4-H) participation in 2020 will be eligible to participate in the same enrolled project areas at the 2021 Dane County Fair. The exception is only made for the 2021 Dane County Fair under the Fair Rules.

Club Purpose: The 2020-Rona Club was created as a one-year only club to offer “any youth exhibitor who is aging out of participation this year and is enrolled in a 2020 project will be eligible to participate in the 2021 Dane County Fair within the same project areas. This exception is only made for the 2021 Dane County Fair under the Fair Rules.” The Club will provide education resource connections, advisor contact, and opportunity for the county’s eldest youth to exhibit at Fair for their final year.

The 2020-Rona Club is managed by the Dane County Fair. For questions, contact the Club Advisors listed below, danecountyfair2900@gmail.com, or our Entries Department at fair@wdexpo.com.

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New Premium Book Rules for Dane County Fair 2021, only:

1. Junior Fair exhibitors must be members of youth organization with adult leadership and an educational program approved by the Fair; and be residents of Dane County or a neighboring county. Aged out youth may join the 2020-Rona Club managed by the Dane County Fair if they do not have another youth organization to join. Organizations must be headquartered in Dane County (examples include 4-H, FFA, FHA-HERO, YMCA, YWCA, Scouts BSA, Girl Scouts, Pioneers, after school clubs, Youth Civil Air Patrol, Junior Breed Organization, etc.).
2. Exhibitors who have aged out of 4-H must have been enrolled in a 2020 project to be eligible to participate in the 2021 Dane County Fair within the same project areas. This exception is only made for the 2021 Dane County Fair under the Fair Rules.
3. Exhibitors must list age & grade as of January 1 of exhibit year on entry form. NOTE: Exhibitors who have learning or physical disabilities may exhibit according to their developmental or functional age. A letter from the parent and adult leader must be emailed to/submitted to the Fair Office to be considered.
4. Exhibitors must not have reached their 20th birthday by January 1 of the current year to exhibit. Other than Cloverbuds, exhibitors must be enrolled in third grade to participate at the Dane County Fair, as of January 1 of the exhibit year. For exhibitors who aged out in 2020, they must not have reached their 21st birthday by January 1 of the current year to exhibit.

2020-Rona Club Requirements:

1. Enrollment will open **September 8, 2020** – [CLICK HERE](#) to complete the enrollment form.
2. Enrollment must be completed and submitted **by November 1, 2020**. Youth Exhibitors must list the project areas on the enrollment form.
3. There will be no dues collected for the 2020-Rona Club.
4. Membership is open to those that are not able to become a member of another organization (as defined by Fair Rule 1.) with that project area as its primary focus.
5. 4-H member project areas enrolled in 2020 will all be eligible for participation in 2021. Past FFA members' project areas will be determined by their 2019 Dane County Fair entry Departments (and Classes, as necessary for disciplines). If FFA youth member was to be new for the 2020 Fair, Coordinator/Leader will verify past enrollment activities with appropriate FFA advisor.
6. Education requirements must all be met and will follow 4-H standards or a compromise approved by the Dane County Fair. Educational events may be found on the 4-H website under the specific project pages (<https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/dane4hyouth/4-h-projects/>). This year, there will be one 2020-2021 education card for all species, and it will be posted to all specific project pages on the 4-H website in the upcoming weeks. [CLICK HERE](#) to view the specific project pages. Form submission deadline for all education requirements is June 15, 2021 through 4-H – the education requirement submission form link will be available soon.



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7. [YQCA](#) will be required for all animal areas as identified by 4-H and printed in Dane County Fair Premium Book.
8. All education requirements will be evaluated by the Dane County Fair Education Committee.
9. Exhibitors will not be able to list this club for participation at the Wisconsin State Fair. Exhibitors may elect to participate with another accepting organization that is authorized by Wisconsin State Fair.
10. The club meetings will be held bi-monthly and will occur in November, December, February, April, June, and July. Meetings will be scheduled after November 1st. These meetings will be conducted online, and additional check-ins will occur as needed. The goal of each meeting will be related to the education requirements associated with the members' project areas. Members will be required to attend all of the online meetings and complete all education requirements on their own with guidance from the Club Advisors. Club Advisors will send communication on 4-H education events, Dane County Fair, etc. to all club members as it becomes available. Members are encouraged to be proactive as well and contact their advisor with any questions and visit the 4-H website (<https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/dane4youth/4-h-projects/>) and Dane County Fair website (www.danecountyfair.com) for upcoming events, information, etc..