

# YOUTH IN ACTION

## CONTESTS 2026 HAMLIN

### COUNTY 4-H SCHEDULE

**DATE**

**EVENT**

June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Horse skillathon during the horse show

July 30<sup>th</sup>

Special Foods at Hamlin School starting at 9:00am

July 30<sup>th</sup>

Skillathons at 4-H building from 1:00 - 6:00pm

Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>

Skillathons at 4-H building from 10:00 - 3:00pm

Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>

Fashion Revue at 4-H building starting at 3:00pm

Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>

Communications at 4-H building starting at 3:00pm

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## DID YOU KNOW

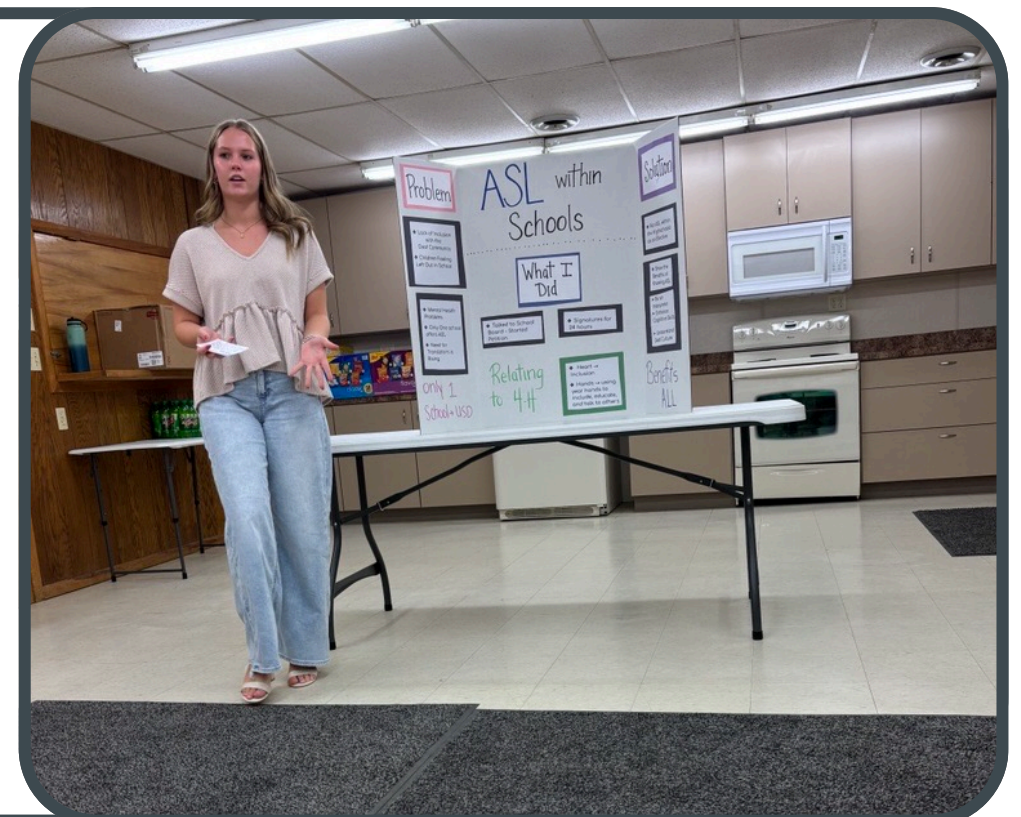
### SPECIAL FOODS

- Teaches 4-H members about dietary guidelines
- Learns how to create healthy meals & snacks that fit into any one of the main food groups
- Contestants learn about nutrition, menu planning, time management, food safety & principles



### COMMUNICATION

- Presentation options are demonstration, illustrated talk, or public speaking
- Gain skills of public speaking & confidence
- Prepare a presentation to give to a judge



### FASHION REVIEW

- Exhibit a completed outfit made or selected by contestant
- Contestants can expect a personal interview and outfit showcase with a judge
- Contestant will model their outfit to judge
- Outfits can be sewn or bought



## EVENTS HELD AT COUNTY YOUTH IN ACTION DAYS AND STATE FAIR

INFORMATION ABOUT EACH  
CONTEST VISIT  
[HTTPS://EXTENSION.SDSTATE.EDU/  
STATE-FAIR](https://extension.sdstate.edu/state-fair)

# HORSE YOUTH IN ACTION

## DID YOU KNOW

### HORSE QUIZ BOWL

- Fast paced contest of teams competing face to face
- Answer questions: equine anatomy, feed & nutrition, evolution, breed characteristics, reproduction, horse management, equipment, styles of riding, and the exhibition of horses.



### HIPPOLOGY SKILLATHON

- Written exam on horse knowledge
- Identify: breeds, coloring, bits, & equipment
- Anatomy: parts of external, skeleton, and internal



### HORSE JUDGING

- Process of evaluating horses based on their physical qualities, movement and overall suitability for a specific purpose.
- Judge classes comprised of halter and performance classes
- Give oral reasons and answer questions



EVENTS ARE HELD AT STATE HORSE SHOW IN HURON

# ANIMAL SKILLATHON YOUTH IN ACTION

## DID YOU KNOW

### LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON

- Identification: Breeds, Equipment, Meat, & Feed
- Evaluate: Wool & Hay Judging
- Quality Assurance: Evaluate quality based questions
- Feed Bag: Look at a feed label and answer questions
- Livestock Performance: Solving problems



### DAIRY SKILLATHON

- Test knowledge of dairy cattle and dairy goat sciences and management skills
- Tested over breed identification, terms, dairy cattle & goat parts, equipment, dairy food products, hay judging and feed stuffs



### RABBIT SKILLATHON

- Identify different breeds of a rabbit
- Know and identify the anatomy parts
- Questions: showmanship based knowledge and terminology



### POULTRY SKILLATHON

- The skill-a-thon will consist of the two judging classes plus reasons or questions and can include exterior egg grading, poultry exam, bird ID, breed ID, meat cuts and/or quality assurance..



# SKILLATHON YOUTH IN ACTION

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### HORTICULTURE SKILLATHON

- Youth will show their knowledge of gardening, plant development, identify plant specimens, and other horticulture-related knowledge.
- Contests includes: judging, a written test, and plant identification.



### CONSUMER DECISION MAKING

- Youth will compare items and decide what choice is better and why.
- Health & Wellness: make knowledgeable choices.
- Science: manages information & think critically.
- Agriculture: make choices when buying items.



### FAMILY CONSUMER SCIENCE SKILLATHON

- Youth will focus on 3 different classes and identify pictures along with a description
- Food & Cooking
- Sewing & Clothing
- Interior Design & Housing



### DOG SKILLATHON

- Conformation: knowledge bites, ears, & eye
- Breed ID with description
- Part ID: tested on external parts
- Health: Knowledge of parasites
- Bathing a dog

