4-H State Day Information

Congratulations on qualifying for 4-H State Day! In this packet, you will find all of the information that you need to prepare yourself for participating in State Day as a representative of your county. 4-H State Day will be held on Saturday, April 25, 2020 this year.

Schedule of Events

8:00 a.m.	Building Opens - Set up all exhibits
8:30a.m.	Evaluator Orientation
9:00 a.m.	Opening Assembly
9:15 a.m.	Action & Fun with Food Exhibits, Table Tops, Posters, Photos, and Technology exhibits present
9:15 a.m.	Communication Presentations Begin
9:30 a.m.	Fashion Revue & Smart Shopper participants practice
10:15 a.m.	Stage Presentations begin/Action & Fun with Food Exhibits end Fashion Revue & Smart Shopper follow stage presentations
12:15-1 p.m.	4-H Promotional Video Viewing Remove all exhibits/displays (Following culmination of stage presentations & 4-H Promotional Video Viewing)
Lunch	Concession TBD or bring your own lunch
12:15	Eastern States Orientation for all action exhibits, demonstrations, illustrated talks, stage presentations, and fashion revue participants planning to attend – at least one adult from each group must attend.
1:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.	Awards Assembly (After Eastern States Exposition orientation and judges finish evaluations)

*Times are approximate

Location and Directions
State Day is held at the Barre Auditorium located at 16 Auditorium Hill, Barre, VT 05641. Take I-89 to Exit #7 (Berlin/Barre – Route 62 East). Proceed 4 miles downhill and take the Barre exit to Route 302 and downtown Barre. At the bottom of the hill, turn right onto Route 302 towards downtown. Travel approximately ¼ mile and turn left after the shopping plaza. Barre Auditorium is at the top of the hill.

Check-in
All participants must check in upon arrival. Check-in will be held in the lobby of Barre Auditorium.

Evaluation and Ribbons
Evaluations and ribbons will be handed out at the closing ceremony. Evaluation forms can be found on our website. It is the same form used at Regional Days. If you are unable to access the website, please call your local 4-H office to have one mailed to you.

Rosettes will be given to the top 3 places in the following categories:
Action Exhibit, Public Speaking, Illustrated Talk, Individual and Team Demonstrations, Fun with Food, Maker Tinker, Promotional Video, Stage and Tabletop.

Fashion Revue, Smart Shopper, Non-clothing sewing, Quilts, and Posters are not re-evaluated at State Day.

Photography and Photo Based Design will not be re-evaluated at State Day but rather a People's Choice vote will take place to determine which photos move forward to Eastern States.

All participants will receive Danish ribbons.

A reminder that the following information regarding State Day can be found at these links:
Evaluation Criteria
Lyric Checklist
Dress Code and Program Content/Expectations
Written Reflections
Exhibit ID Cards for poster, table top, non-clothing sewing, maker/tinker, and photography

Exhibit Specific Information

Action Exhibit

- Action exhibits should be operational from 9:15am – 10:15am.
- You are expected to provide your own support for your background poster(s), if necessary.
- Table covers are not provided. Please plan to bring your own table covering (tables are 6 feet in length).

Communications: Public Speaking, Illustrated Talk, Individual and Team Demonstrations

- All demonstration, public speaking and illustrated talk participants must register in the Barre Auditorium Lobby by 9:00 a.m., choosing a time to present.
- Time slots are available first come, first served.
- All the contests will be going at the same time (junior & senior demonstrations; junior & senior public speaking, junior and senior illustrated talks). They will begin at 9:15 a.m.

Fashion Revue and Smart Shopper

- The Fashion Revue and Smart Shopper will occur at the end of the stage presentations.
- We will gather for instructions for the day and a practice at 9:30 a.m.
- You will model your outfits after the other stage presentations at wrap up, sometime around 12:30-1 p.m.
- Please bring to 4-H State Day your complete outfit, including all your accessories.
- A 4-H State Day Fashion Revue script will be developed based on the information sent in by your local 4-H offices.

Fun with Food

- Table covers will not be provided. Please plan to bring your own table cover.
- Fun with Foods will be evaluated from 9:15 am – 10:15 am. Exhibits should be dismantled and cleaned up after 1:15 pm.

Maker Tinker

- Table covers will not be provided. Please plan to bring your own table cover. (tinker/maker exhibits use ½ of a 6 foot table, making the display dimensions 3' x 2')
- Tinker/maker exhibits will be evaluated from 9:15 am – 10:15 am. Exhibits should be dismantled and cleaned up after 1:15 pm.

Photography and Photo Based Design

- Photographs will NOT be re-evaluated at State Day. Instead, there will be a People's Choice vote that will determine which photos will be displayed at Eastern States.
- Participation ribbons will also be posted on your work by the start of the morning.
- You are invited to be present at State Day to take pride in your work, and to experience all the other exhibits and excitement of the event.
- We ask that you, or your representative, be available to take home your photos after State Day finishes on April 25. Take down is scheduled for 12:15 pm. This is the only way that we can guarantee your photo being returned back to you. We will attempt at reuniting you with your work, however, due to the heavy number of submissions, we cannot guarantee its return in a timely manner.

Posters

- Posters will not be re-evaluated at State Day this since posters are one of the few categories where there is no opportunity for improvement once it is submitted on to State Day from the county level. Posters however, are an important display at State Day to help attendees learn more about 4-H, what 4-H means to our members, and to show younger youth that posters are a good first step to communicating ideas. We encourage your submissions.
- One poster from each region will be selected at Regional Day to go to Eastern States. These posters will be noted while on display.
- We ask that you, or your representative, be available to take home your poster after State Day finishes on April 25. Take down is scheduled for 1:15pm. This is the only way that we can guarantee your poster being returned back to you. We will attempt at reuniting you with your work, however, we cannot guarantee its return in a timely manner.

Promotional Video

- 4-H Promotional Video entries should be submitted ahead of State Day using UVM file transfer, thumb drive, drop box, or Google Drive. Please contact to arrange the best way to submit your video with Allison Smith. (Contact info in the email.)
- All videos will be judged ahead of State Day.
- Videos will be played at 12:15 for the audience on a provided laptop and projector.

Quilt and Non-Clothing Sewing

- Quilts and non-clothing sewing items will not be re-evaluated at State Day since these exhibits are one of the few categories where there is no opportunity for improvement once it is submitted on to State Day from the county level. Your project however, is an important display at State Day to help attendees learn more about 4-H, what 4-H means to our members, and to show younger youth

that quilting and sewing is a skill that knows no boundaries. We encourage your submissions.

- We ask that you, or your representative, be available to take home your project after State Day finishes on April 25. Take down is scheduled for 1:15pm. This is the only way that we can guarantee your quilt or item being returned back to you. We will attempt at reuniting you with your work, however, we cannot guarantee its return in a timely manner.

Stage

- The 4-H State Day opening assembly will begin at 9:00 a.m. Please note that stage exhibits will not begin until 10:15 am.
- There will be no practice time on the stage so please come prepared.
- Time limit on stage is a minimum of 3 minutes and a maximum of 10 minutes.
- The stage measures 17' wide by 64' long. The background is a heavy drapery. Participants may not pin anything into the drapery. Therefore, all props used on the stage must be free standing, held by an easel, held by a person, etc.
- The sound system at State Day consists of a single microphone. If your group will have numerous speakers (as in a skit) make sure to practice projecting your voices, as there will be background noise in the performance hall. Any group using recorded music is urged to bring its own music player. The sound system can play from CD's or music off a device (please bring a cord with you in case it is not working properly). It is recommended that you bring your song choice in multiple formats (mp3, cd or other) to ensure that the sound system can play your song. You may wish to bring a portable speaker as a backup.
- Please be sure to have at least one representative from your group pick up your evaluation at the awards ceremony.

Table Top

- Table covers are not provided. Please plan to bring your own table cover (table tops use ½ of a 6 foot table, making the display dimensions 3' x 2')
- Barre Auditorium will open at 8:00 a.m. for setup. The 4-H State Day opening assembly will begin at 9:00 a.m., followed immediately by the table top and other exhibits.
- Table top exhibits will be evaluated from 9:15am – 10:30am. Exhibits should be dismantled and cleaned up after 1:15pm.

Eastern States Exposition (ESE) Information

IMPORTANT: General questions regarding Eastern States Exposition will be covered at the ESE orientation provided at State Day at 12:15, following the close of stage presentations. Any members or group planning to attend ESE must attend this meeting.

How many exhibits in each category go onto Eastern States?

- ☐ Table Top Exhibits – 3 selected & modified to form a short presentation
- ☐ Illustrated Talks & Team Demonstrations – The top 6 are selected with 2 alternatives
- ☐ Photography & Photo Based Design – 8 selected in each of the two categories via a People's Choice vote
- ☐ Posters – Each region sends one poster determined at the region level
- ☐ Action Exhibits – The top 8 exhibits will be selected
- ☐ Stage Presentations – The top 12 presentations will be selected
- ☐ Fashion Review/Smart Shopper – All participants are automatically eligible

Fashion Revue and Smart Shopper Eligibility:

- Participants 8 years old and older are eligible for Eastern States.
- The State 4-H Fashion Revue at Eastern States Exposition will be held Sunday, September 20 and Monday, September 21. Delegates will travel to Eastern States on Saturday, September 19. Delegates will be responsible for their own transportation. They may contact their 4-H Educator or the State Office to find out what other groups are going to Eastern States from their county. The coordinator for the Fashion Revue at Eastern States this year will be Rachel Collett.
- Participants are required to attend 4-H State Day.
- If you wish to chaperone the fashion revue at Eastern States, please contact Allison Smith or Rachel Collett by calling Allison at 1-800-571-0668 or emailing her at allison.smith.2@uvm.edu or you may contact Rachel by emailing her at rscollett24@gmail.com.

Stage Presentation Eligibility

- Stage programs are evaluated on a point system. This enables us to announce the selections for the New England Center at Eastern States at the State Day final assembly. Vermont has only one set of dates for Eastern States Exposition performances this year, so all groups selected will be attending at the same time. At least 12 stage activities will be selected to participate during Eastern States Exposition, which will be held Sunday, September 20 and Monday, September 21.
- If your group has been selected for participation at Eastern States, you will receive a commitment contract for Eastern States at the orientation. There is a

deadline for this form to come back to the State 4-H Office, so please be sure to respond immediately.

- The same number of youth who participate at State Day must be the same number who participate at Eastern States though if necessary, the youth can be different.

Action Exhibit

- You must have at least 4 participants age 8 and older to be eligible for Eastern States Exposition so that two can present and two can take a break.
- A six-foot table is all that is provided for exhibitors.
- All other materials must be brought by the participants. Any products with labels must be covered. This is to ensure that a 4-H action exhibit does not appear to promote specific brands or companies.

Table Tops

- Once selected, 4-H'ers will create a small 1-3 minute oral presentation to go along with their tabletop. Tabletops will be staffed by the 4-H'er during their shift at Eastern States.

Illustrated Talks and Team Demonstrations

- These two categories will present on stage and will be scheduled alongside the other stage presentations.

Photography, Photo Based Design, and Posters

- These items are sent to Eastern States to be exhibited but do not require the 4-H'er to attend or accompany the item at Eastern States.