

2026 Cattaraugus County Fair Schedule of Events
Includes 4-H/FFA Shows & Events; Open Shows; Demonstrations & Contests

Sunday, July 19	10:00 AM	4-H Market Poultry Show (<i>Mary Elizabeth Dunbar Building</i>) *Market Backdrop Photos to take place during show
Saturday, July 25	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Youth Building Judging and Club Educational Booth Set Up
Thursday, July 30	TBD	Youth Building Judging – Produce & Cut Flowers (<i>Pavillon by Youth Building</i>)
Friday, July 31	3:00 - 5:00 PM	4-H/FFA & Open SHEEP must be in place
	4:00 - 6:00 PM	4-H/FFA & Open SWINE must be in place
	5:00 - 7:00 PM	4-H/FFA & Open BEEF must be in place
	6:00 - 8:00 PM	4-H/FFA DAIRY must be in place
	7:00 - 9:00 PM	4-H/FFA & Open GOATS must be in place
	3:00 - 9:00 PM	4-H HORSES must be in place
	3:00 - 9:00 PM	4-H/FFA & Open POULTRY & RABBITS must be in place
Saturday, August 1	8:00 AM	4-H Horse Exhibitor Meeting/Helmet Check (<i>Horse Arena</i>)
	8:30 AM	4-H Horse Tack Inspection & Pony/Mini Measurements (<i>immediately following exhibitor meeting</i>)
	10:00 AM	4-H Dog Show (<i>Location TBD</i>)
	12:00 PM	4-H Horse Jumping Show (<i>Horse Arena</i>)
	12:00 PM	4-H/FFA Livestock Exhibitor Meeting (<i>Livestock Arena</i>)
	3:00 PM	4-H Market Goat, Lamb, & Hog Weigh-Ins (<i>immediately following exhibitor meeting</i>) Parade of Animals (<i>various locations throughout fairgrounds</i>)
	4:00 PM	Open Beef Show (<i>Dairy Arena</i>) 4-H Market Beef/Dairy Steer Weigh-In (<i>immediately following open beef show</i>)
	5:00 – 7:00 PM	Cupcake Decorating Contest (<i>Youth Building, immediately following weigh ins</i>) Youth Building Office Hours for NYSF paperwork help
	5:00 PM	4-H Gaming Horse Show
	6:30 PM	4-H/FFA Dairy Exhibitor Meeting & Showmanship Practice (<i>Dairy Arena</i>)
	7:00 PM	Swine Showmanship Practice (<i>Livestock Arena</i>)
	TBD	Ask A Master Gardener – Soil & Water Testing (<i>Corporate Building</i>)
	TBD	Poultry Showmanship Practice (<i>Mary Elizabeth Dunbar Building</i>)
Sunday, August 2	9:00 AM	4-H/FFA Exhibition/Fancy Poultry Show (<i>Mary Elizabeth Dunbar Building</i>)
	9:00 AM	4-H Senior Ride/Horse Costume Class (<i>Horse Arena</i>)
	10:00 AM	4-H/FFA Dairy Showmanship Show (<i>Dairy Arena</i>)
	11:00 AM	4-H Miniature Horse Show (<i>Horse Arena</i>)
	1:00 PM	4-H Driving Horse Show (<i>Horse Arena</i>)
	4:00 PM	4-H Cloverbud Horseless Horse Show (<i>Horse Arena</i>) 4-H Mounted Games (<i>immediately following 4-H Cloverbud Show</i>)
	4:00 PM	Open Hog Show (<i>Livestock Arena</i>) 4-H/FFA Hog Show (<i>Livestock Arena, immediately following Open Hog Show</i>)
	TBD	Goat Showmanship Practice (<i>Location TBD</i>)
Monday, August 3	9:00 AM	4-H English Horse Show (<i>Horse Arena</i>)
	9:00 AM	4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Contest (<i>Livestock Arena</i>)
	10:00 AM	4-H/FFA Dairy Judging Contest (<i>Dairy Arena</i>)
		4-H/FFA Agronomy Contest (<i>immediately following Dairy Judging Contest</i>) 4-H/FFA Wildlife, Tree, & Tool ID (<i>Conservation Building</i>)
	12:00 PM	4-H/FFA Meat Goat Show (<i>Livestock Arena</i>) Backdrop Photos to take place after 4-H Market & 4-H Breed Classes
		Open Meat Goat Show (<i>Livestock Arena, immediately following 4-H/FFA Show</i>)
	2:00 PM	4-H/FFA Dairy Goat Show (<i>Livestock Arena</i>)
		Open Dairy Goat Show (<i>Livestock Arena, immediately following 4-H/FFA Show</i>)
	4:00 PM	4-H Horse Judging Contest (<i>Horse Arena</i>)
	4:00 PM	4-H/FFA FACS Contest (<i>Youth Building</i>)
	6:00 PM	Open Beef Cattle Released
6:00 PM	4-H/FFA Livestock Skillathon (<i>Dairy Arena</i>)	
TBD	Rabbit Showmanship Practice (<i>Mary Elizabeth Dunbar Building</i>)	

Tuesday, August 4	9:00 AM	4-H Western/Ranch Horse Show (<i>Horse Arena</i>)	
	9:00 AM	4-H/FFA Dairy Breed Show (<i>Dairy Arena</i>)	
	11:00 AM	Animal Obstacle Course (<i>Livestock Arena</i>)	
	3 pm - 8 PM	Open Dairy Cattle must be in place (<i>all trailers enter through exit gate</i>)	
	4:00 PM	Rabbit/Cavy Show (<i>Mary Elizabeth Dunbar Building</i>) *Market Backdrop Photos to take place during show	
	7:00 PM	Sheep Showmanship Practice (<i>Livestock Arena</i>)	
	TBD	Ask A Master Gardener – Soil & Water Testing (<i>Corporate Building</i>)	
Wednesday, August 5	9:00 AM	4-H Dressage Horse Show (<i>Horse Arena</i>)	
		4-H Horse Drill/Quadrille/Parade (<i>immediately following Dressage</i>)	
	9:00 AM	4-H/FFA & Open Sheep Show (<i>Livestock Arena</i>) *Market Backdrop Photos to take place between 4-H Market & 4-H Breed Classes	
	10:00 AM	Legislator Social & Tour (<i>Snack Shack</i>) <i>earlier in day for horse exhibitors</i>	
	2:00 PM	4-H Horse Awards Ceremony	
	3:00 PM	All 4-H Horses Released (<i>no trailers allowed on grounds prior to 3:00 pm</i>)	
	4:00 – 6:00 PM	Youth Building Office Hours for NYSF paperwork help	
	6:00 PM	Beef & Dairy Steer Showmanship Practice *Market Backdrop Photos for Beef & Dairy Steers (<i>Dairy Arena</i>)	
	7:00 PM	All 4-H Horses Must Be Removed	
TBD	Ask A Master Food Preserver (<i>Corporate Building</i>)		
Thursday, August 6	9:00 AM	4-H/FFA Beef & Dairy Steer Show (<i>Dairy Arena</i>)	
	2:00 PM	Master Showmanship Contest (<i>immediately following Beef Show</i>)	
	6:00 PM	4-H Cat Show (<i>Livestock Arena</i>)	
Friday, August 7	7:00 AM	Beef & Dairy Steer Weigh-Ins (<i>Market Animals Only</i>)	
	7:30 AM	Goat, Sheep, & Hog Weigh-Ins (<i>Market Animals Only</i>) *Market HOG Backdrop Photos to take place immediately following weigh-ins	
	9:00 AM	Open Dairy Show (<i>Dairy Arena</i>)	
	11:30 AM – 1:30 PM	Youth Building Office Hours for NYSF paperwork help	
	4:00 PM	Barnyard Olympics (<i>Dairy Arena</i>) Human Pig Show Animal Sounds & Rooster Crowing Contest Costume Class (All Species)	
	6:00 PM	Alumni Showmanship Contest (<i>Dairy Arena</i>)	
	6:00 PM	Sale Ring Set-Up (<i>Livestock & Dairy Arenas</i>)	
	TBD	Ask A Master Gardener – Cornell Climate Stewards (<i>Corporate Building</i>)	
Saturday, August 8	10:30 AM	4-H Meat Animal Sale (<i>Dairy & Livestock Arenas</i>)	
	8:00 PM	All Dairy Cattle Released (<i>trailers must come through Exit Gate</i>)	
Sunday, August 9	6:00 AM	Market Animals Released Staggered Dismissal of All Other Animals by Superintendents	
	9:00 am – 12:00 PM	All Youth Building Exhibits & Booth Pick Up	
	12:00 PM	All Animals Must Be Removed	