## **Linn County 4-H FAVORITE FOODS SHOW**

During the Linn County Fair! The morning of Monday, August 4<sup>th</sup> during 4-H Foods Judging. 4-Hers must be enrolled in the Foods project and pre-entered in Favorite Foods to participate.

## Favorite Foods Rules and Guidelines:

4-H'ers select a favorite food recipe and prepare it. To exhibit in the "Favorite Foods Show", 4-H'ers select a favorite recipe from one of the following groups:

Snacks Breads Meats
Sandwiches Drink Soups

Casseroles Fruits Vegetable Plates

Salad Desserts Other

The favorite food should be displayed with a proper table setting; formal or informal depending upon the food. (Paper plates are acceptable as long as the setting is informal.)

## A RECIPE CARD FOR THE FAVORITE FOOD SHOULD ALSO BE EXHIBITED ALONG WITH A PLANNED MENU

<u>4-h'ers DO NOT need to bring their own table</u>; no electrical appliances are allowed. Judge <u>will not</u> taste food due to food safety concerns.

4-H'ers should be prepared to tell the judge how to prepare and serve the favorite food, why they selected the table service and dishes, and why they centerpiece is appropriate. (A centerpiece is not always a necessity; however, the table setting should be attractive.)

4-H'ers should also check into the nutritional value of the favorite food and be able to discuss something of that with the judge, if the judge should question the 4-H'er. THERE ARE NO HARD AND FAST RULES!

NOTE: Entire product does not have to be displayed in the "Favorite Food Show"; serving size is an appropriate amount of food to display.

## **FAVORITE FOOD SHOW SCORE CARD\***

I.	THE EXHIBITOR
	Appropriate dress
	Originality
	Interview: Eye contact, clarity, volume of voice. Demonstrates understanding of table setting techniques and the menu, food preparation and food safety.
II.	THE FOOD
	Can discuss nutritional value and healthy portions
	Understands the preparation of the food item
	Appearance of food, including portion size
	Food Safety knowledge
III.	MENU WITH FAVORITE FOOD
	Appropriate food choices
	Understanding of meal preparation time management
	Balanced in color and texture
	Knowledge and experience with this menu
IV.	TABLE SETTING WITH FAVORITE FOOD
	Appropriate for menu
	Attractive-color scheme, dishes, food, placemats, linen, etc
	Appropriate centerpiece
	Menu and recipe are clear and legible