

2024 Central Region 4-H Fun with Fashion

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Fun with Fashion provides practice in consumer purchasing skills. Participants may enter multiple classes in their grade level, but one entry per class. The majority of the outfit, including accessories, needs to be purchased with the scenario and budget in mind. Shoes do not need to be new or count in the budget. Remember to use comparison shopping to check out prices for the same or similar outfits in different stores. You may use secondhand stores (i.e.: thrift or consignment stores, yard sales), online re-sale apps, clothing rental websites, or subscription services. Keep up with your costs and savings. These will be recorded on your entry form.

Rules:

1. Participants must be active 4-H members.
2. 4-H members may enter multiple classes in their grade level, but only one entry per class.
3. Pre-registration is required. 4-H members must submit a separate online form for each class entry.
4. Participants will model each entry on stage.

Class 1: Athleisure Sports Wear Grades 4-5

Comfort is key, and let's face it, if it doesn't have stretch, you won't wear it! You have budgeted \$55 for an outfit that can easily be worn for school and play. Put your consumer skills to the test and select an outfit you can feel trendy and confident in.

Class 2: Casual Wear Grades 4-5

You and a group of friends have planned an outing for ice cream and a stroll around the town. You want to look nice because you know lots of pictures will be taken. You have \$60 to purchase a casual outfit that can be worn for this occasion and many others. Ready, set, shop!

Class 3: Best Wear Grades 4-5

You received an invitation for your county's 4-H banquet. You will be receiving awards and have been asked to lead the 4-H Pledge during the program. You know this is a very dressy occasion, and you want to look good and feel confident. Your grandmother is so proud that she has given you \$75 to purchase a new outfit to wear to the banquet (excluding shoes). Use your sharp consumer skills to stay within your budget.

Class 4: Athleisure Sports Wear Grades 6-8

4-H Fun Day is coming up and you've volunteered to work the outdoor yard games. It's going to be a warm fall day. You'll want to dress in athleisure to be ready to move and show the kids how to play the games and hype them up! Go all out on your look to make it more fun for the kids. You have \$55 to spend on your outfit.

Class 5: Casual Wear Grades 6-8

It's almost time for the first 4-H Honor Club meeting of the year and you are so excited to see all your 4-H friends again. You want your outfit to be stylish and fun to reflect your personality, so you feel confident as you see old friends and meet new ones. You'll also wear this to school some so keep in mind your school's dress code. Your budget is \$60 to spend on the ensemble.

Class 6: Best Wear Grades 6-8

A family member is getting married and has asked you to greet people as they arrive at the upcoming wedding. You are so excited to go shopping for this occasion, and your aunt even promised to take you! Appropriate items for this event would include a dress or a blouse or dress shirt and dress pants or skirt. Use your sharp consumer skills to stay within your budget. Your budget is \$75.

Class 7: Casual Wear Grades 9-12

This fall your family is planning to take a day trip to Nashville. Several stops are scheduled including visits to the Parthenon, Tennessee State Museum, and State Capitol. You'll be walking several miles throughout the day both inside and outside. You are planning to take photos and videos to post on TikTok and Instagram to document the exciting day. Shop for an outfit that's comfortable and trendy and falls within your \$60 budget.

Class 8: Snappy Casual Grades 9-12

You've been elected as Social Media Chair of your club! You are working with your 4-H agent to film a fun, fresh and exciting video to promote your county 4-H program on all social media platforms. You are on the search for an informal and stylish outfit that makes you feel confident and looks good on camera. You'll have to do some comparison shopping to stay within your budget of \$75.

Class 9: Formal Wear Grades 9-12

You will be attending the evening awards banquet this summer at State 4-H Roundup. The event calls for a formal ensemble which could include a gown, tasteful cocktail dress or suit for females and a suit and tie for males. Keep in mind current trends. Show your personal style while maintaining an elegant and classy look. Shop wisely because you only have \$135 to spend.

Glossary

Athleisure:	Casual, comfortable clothing suitable both for exercise and everyday wear.
Best Wear:	Clothing you would wear for a special occasion; dressy.
Casual Wear:	Clothing that is relaxed, occasional, spontaneous, and suited for everyday use.
Formal:	Clothing such as tuxedos, suit and tie and evening gowns, for formal social occasions.
Snappy Casual:	Snappy casual attire is considered informal yet stylish. This range of attire is dressier than basic jeans and a tee, but not as dressy as a suit and tie. It is in between a casual and professional dress code and has an edge to the overall look. It is the type of look that will turn heads and attract attention.

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