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## Youth Culinary Creations at The 4-H Fair!

Summer is one of the most exciting times of the year. Holidays, vacations and beautiful Kansas nights create an atmosphere for great eats and treats! For our Butler County 4H members, July is Fair Season, and some 4H'ers are busy whipping up delicious treats to display at the county fair! We invite everyone down to the Butler County 4H/Community Building starting on July 20 to explore the various exhibits and grab some of the amazing food options we have available.

First up is the 4-H Food Auction. Cakes, cookies, pies, breads, and food preservation products are all ready for the partaking. These are just some examples of the delicious food items prepared and brought to the fair by 4-H'ers. You may also find modified options such as sugar-free and gluten-free treats. The best part is they are auctioned off for you to enjoy! The 4-H Food Auction will be held on Saturday, July 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the Butler County 4-H /Community Building in El Dorado. This event typically lasts less than 1 hour. Kick off Fair Week with fabulous treats at the Food Auction.

The culinary creations aren't all the fair has to offer. While you're here checking out the sewing, photography, animals, and myriad other projects during Fair Week, be sure to visit The Clover Café, the Butler County 4-H Concession Stand. Conveniently located in the 4-H/Community Building, you can find delectable pulled pork sandwiches, mouthwatering walking tacos, tasty beef nachos, yummy hot dogs, an assortment of candy, pop, and more at The Clover Café! We will also offer heavenly desserts, baked fresh daily! Come grab a delicious dinner or just a quick treat and see all the wonderful projects on display.

All proceeds from the auction and The Clover Café go to benefit the Butler County 4-H Council, which supports our local youth in attending leadership and citizenship events along with other educational opportunities and countywide events throughout the year.

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills. Life skills include healthy interpersonal relationships, sound decision-making, a positive self-concept, an inquiring mind, and concern for the community. Simply put, 4-H is designed to support the positive and successful development of all youth and ultimately help them become confident, capable, caring adults. These events that help kick off the Butler County Fair are only two of the many ways you can see 4-H'ers show off their talents during Fair Week.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to participate in and support 4-H. The Butler County Fair dates are July 20<sup>th</sup>- July 25th. Thank you to each one of you who have supported and continue to support Butler County 4-H! For a complete schedule of fair events and more information on the Butler County Fair, visit www.butler.ksu.edu, call (316) 321-9660, or find us on Facebook at Butler County 4-H Fair.