



## **2025 4-H FASHION REVUE**

On behalf of the Fashion Revue Committee, we would like to invite all 4-H members, especially those enrolled in Sewing to be part of Elkhart County 's 4-H Fashion Revue.

Fashion Revue is a stand-alone project, participants should sign up when they register for 4-H. You NO LONGER have to enter your project for construction judging. Sewing and Fashion Revue are separate projects.

Fashion Revue gives you an opportunity to show off an outfit you have sewn. The garment(s) you model does not need to be the same one that you are entering in sewing judging if you've sewn. The garment must have been completed since the 2024 Elkhart County 4-H Fair. ***You are not required to enter sewing construction to enter 4-H Fashion Revue.***

Fashion Review judging is not based on construction but rather on their fit and your choice of accessories to complete your total look.

- Fashion Review guidelines follow the sewing project guidelines for grades 3-7 (Junior Revue).
- Fashion Review guidelines follow the category guidelines for Advance Sewing (Senior Revue – Grades 8-12).

Fashion Revue committee members will be available to answer questions at project Judging on **July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. The link to complete the Fashion Revue entry form is on our website at <https://extension.purdue.edu/elkhart> click on Projects, Fashion Revue or [here](#)

- **Registration is due on Tuesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.** Commentaries should be a maximum of 250 words and may be edited.

**Fashion Revue Judging & Public Show: Saturday, July 12, 2025 – Greencroft Goshen**

**Check times for your division!**

### **Fashion Revue Committee Members**

Questions: Call the Purdue extension office 574-533-0554

Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm

[www.extension.purdue.edu/elkhart](http://www.extension.purdue.edu/elkhart)

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## FASHION REVUE JUDGING

**When: Saturday, July 12, 2025**

**Where: Greencroft Goshen, 1721 Greencroft Blvd. Goshen, IN 46527**

***We will not start judging before the time listed for your grade.***

***We will move through grades in the order listed below.***

Morning Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

### **Junior Revue:**

Judging begins at 9:00 a.m. in this order:

9:00 a.m.	Grade 5: Sewing Level B
9:30 a.m.	Grade 6: Sewing Level B
10:00 a.m.	Grade 7: Sewing Level C
10:30 a.m.	Grade 3: Sewing Level A
11:00 a.m.	Grade 4: Sewing Level A

**Afternoon Registration begins at 12:45 p.m.**

Senior Revue is grades 8-12. You choose from the advanced sewing divisions and enter up to 6 garments.

### **Senior Revue:**

Judging begins at 1:00 p.m. in this order:

1:00 p.m.	Free Choice
1:30 p.m.	Informal or Casual Wear
2:00 p.m.	Separates
2:30 p.m.	Suits & Coats
3:00 p.m.	Dress Up Wear
3:30 p.m.	Formal Wear

***Enter the Division as you would for sewing construction.***

**FASHION REVUE PUBLIC SHOW**

**Saturday, July 12, 2025**  
**Show begins at 7:00 p.m.**

**All contestants must report by 6:30 p.m. and be dressed and ready to go.**  
**Please be ready to line up.**

***It is very important that you report on time and be ready to model. We must line everyone up and let the narrators know if people are missing so their names will not be read. This will allow us to begin the show on time.***

**You will be in the following groups:**

Free Choice

Grade 3

Informal or Casual Wear

Grade 4

Separates

Grade 5

Suits & Coats

Grade 6

Dress Up Wear

Grade 7

Formal Wear Parents, friends and relatives are welcome to attend the show. The Honor Group, Reserve Champions and Champions will be announced. Ribbons and judges comment sheets will be available for pick-up after the public show.



### List of Local stores that sell Material/Fabric:

Since the announcement of JoAnn Fabrics going out of business the committee has pulled together some shops that might help to fill in those gaps. Some close to home, some might be a little further and even some on-line shops we've had experience with. Etsy also has lots of shops.

For any of these shops you'll want to check their Facebook page for the times and day they are open/or call to check business hours.

**Fabric Utopia**

3016 W Wilden  
Goshen, IN 46528  
574-307-0583

**Sew Unique**

51095 Bittersweet Rd  
Granger, IN 46530  
574-271-1775

**Calico Point**

24856 CR 40  
Goshen, IN 46526  
574-862-4065

**Yoders Dept Store**

300 S VanBuren St.  
Shipshawana, IN  
46565  
260-768-4887

**Field's Fabrics**

5401 Portage Rd  
Portage, MI 49002  
269-383-4211

**Zink's Fabric Outlet**

1444 LinconWay S  
Ligonier, IN 46767  
260-894-3000

**Lollys Fabrics**

225 N. Harrison St.  
Shipshawana, IN  
46565  
260-768-4703

**Field's Fabrics**

3975 Lake Michigan Dr.  
NW  
Grand Rapids, MI  
49534  
616-453-8381

**Stone Soup Batiks**

1355 N. Bendix Dr.  
South Bend, IN 46628  
574-400-0258

### On-Line Shops

**Boho Fabrics**

[www.bohofabrics.com](http://www.bohofabrics.com)

**Knitfabric.com**

<https://knitfabrics.com>

**Raspberry Creek  
Fabrics**

[www.raspberrycreekfabrics.com](http://www.raspberrycreekfabrics.com)

**For zippers/thread/notions**

Wawak [www.wawak.com](http://www.wawak.com)



## **2025 Fashion Revue**

### **Committee Members**

Jessica Adams

Jean Burtsfield

Jennifer Fry

Tammy Gerber

Anita Gorden

Darcy Kidder

Danessa Yoder

Suzette Yurko

### **Check Out 4-H Online**

The Purdue Extension Elkhart  
County website has lots of good  
information including recent  
newsletters, forms,  
announcements and due dates.

Check it out at [www.extension.purdue.edu/  
elkhart](http://www.extension.purdue.edu/elkhart)

**Dates to Remember:*****Fashion Revue Judging***

Saturday, July 12, 2025 - Greencroft Goshen

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***Fashion Revue Public Show***

Saturday, July 12, 2025 - Greencroft Goshen 7:00 p.m.

***Elkhart County Fair:***

July 18-July 27, 2025



## **HOW TO REGISTER FOR FASHION REVUE**

To register for Fashion Revue, please complete the form at <https://forms.gle/4y98L3CG99FjGcWe8> or fill out and return a Commentary Sheet with a written description of your outfit. The Commentary Sheets are available on the last page of this newsletter, in the Purdue Extension County Office and on the Purdue Extension Elkhart County website [www.extension.purdue.edu/elkhart](http://www.extension.purdue.edu/elkhart) or you can bring it to the Purdue Extension Office.

Project requirements for Fashion Revue will follow the guidelines set for Sewing projects. In grades 3-7 members need to only make the garment that is judged.

**An outfit** is defined as clothing that could be worn without additional garments and be considered acceptable to be worn in public. In senior categories no half garments may be modeled i.e. not just blouses or skirts.

**Accessories** are defined as accents that add to the total look and do not need to be sewn by the 4-H'er.

**Read project requirements:** A suit is two pieces. If you purchase a blouse, the blouse is an accessory. A jumper could be paired with a purchased blouse as an accessory for Fashion Revue.

**ENTERING PROJECTS:** Members entering in senior revue--grades 8-12--will need to identify the category where their project will be entered. Categories are the same as sewing categories. In Fashion Revue, senior members may exhibit one outfit in each category.

**One State Fair entry will be chosen for each category.**

**DEFINITION OF AN OUTFIT:** An outfit is a garment or garments that when put together make a complete look--such as one- or two-piece dress, or one- or two-piece pants suit, or a three piece combination, such as pants, vest and blouse or shirt.

## **CATEGORIES**

**Informal or Casual Wear**--A complete outfit of one or two pieces suitable for school, weekend, or casual, informal activities.

**Dress Up**--This is suitable for special, church, or social occasions that are not considered to be formal. It may be an outfit of one or more pieces with or without its own costume coat or jacket (lined or unlined). This is not an outfit that would be worn to school, weekend or casual occasion.



**Suit or Coat**--The suit consists of two pieces including a skirt or pants and its own lined jacket.

The coat is a separate lined coat. It will be judged separately as a coat with its own accessories.

**Separates**--Consists of three garments that must be worn as a coordinated complete outfit.

Each piece should be versatile enough to be worn with other garments.

**Formal Wear**--This outfit may be one or more pieces suitable for any formal occasion, such as proms, weddings, and formal evening wear.

**Free Choice**--A complete outfit comprised of garments that do not fit in the other classifications. Examples include tennis wear, swim wear, athletic or sportswear, lounge wear, riding habits historic, dance, theatrical, or international costumes, capes and unlined coats.

## **STATE FASHION REVUE**

4-H State Fashion Revue judging takes place in August at the Indiana State Fair. The top 15 from each category will model their garments in the Farm Bureau Building at the Indiana State Fair, when top award winners will be announced. **The exact dates for these events will be announced at a later time.**

If you participate in Fashion Revue and Sewing and win a category in both, you will be asked to

## **COMMENTARY**

You may want to have your parent, 4-H Leader or friend help with the description of your outfit. This is what will be read as you model your outfit.

--The description on the pattern envelope can be helpful. You want your commentary to be long enough for modeling but not so long that you are waiting for it to be done.

Commentaries should be a maximum of 250 words and are subject to editing.

### **4-H FASHION REVUE NARRATION--OUTLINE**

1. Open with a personal sentence about yourself
2. Description of garment/outfit.
3. Description of accessories--hair accessories, jewelry, shoes, etc.
4. Close with a personal sentence about yourself, hobbies, school attending, etc.



**HELPFUL COMMENTARY TOOLS****Descriptive Phrases and Adjectives:**

Fresh look or fresh pattern	Cool, crisp
High voltage color	Lace-soft edging
Vintage look or pattern	Splashes
Little zaps of color	Classic lines
Indispensable	Monochromatic look
With it's bold stripes	Stitching details
Delicate	Lush colors
Electric toned stripes	Buttery soft
Sun kissed bright	Common denominator
Flouncy	Sophisticated mood
Little touches	Frostings of lace
Jolt of color	Exuberant colors
Highlighted	

**Descriptive Color Words:**

blueberry	raspberry	wine	chestnut
orange	nutmeg	lemon	mustard
cinnamon	peach	coffee	cream
tangerine	apricot	curry	paprika
mint	chocolate	apple green	apple red
camel	deep red	teal	rust
navy	bold black	ebony	dazzling white



midnight	neutral	gray	taupe
carmel	wood brown	pale pink	plum
lavender	mauve	aqua	sand
canary yellow	eggshell	salmon	moss
ocean blue	autumn red	wheat	oriental blue
purple hue	lime green	sand dollar white	seashell pink
magenta	mandarin	deep purplish red	fuchsia

**Also use words like the following to describe colors:**

bold	electric	dramatic	translucent
deep	dazzling	soft	light



### FASHION REVUE TIPS FROM THE JUDGES

1. **Smile**--it's the best accessory!
2. **Accessories**--Accessories should be age appropriate. Less is more; don't over or under accessorize. Make certain they are the right size for the overall look of the outfit.
3. **Pressing**--Press, press, and press some more. Use starch (sparingly) to make stubborn cottons behave. Watch for seam puckering. take wool garments to the dry cleaners and have it pressed. NEVER sit in your garment prior to judging!
4. **Hemlines**--Wear skirts and pants straight on the waistline. This will greatly impact the hem. Watch hemline length and keep hemlines straight and even.
5. **Length**--In skirts and shorts, please check that the length is appropriate. Adjust your pattern if necessary.
6. **Footwear**--Watch color and style. Must match outfit. Be sure shoe style and heel height are age appropriate. For PJ's socks/footies are good choices if slippers can't be found that match. For open toe shoes, polish your toenails. No flip flops.
7. **Zippers**--Invisible zippers are a great choice for formal wear.
8. **Undergarments**--Watch fit of bodices. Wear undergarments that don't show from the outside.
9. **Modeling**--Switch up your stance when modeling lined garments (will flow better). Let your personality show and add your own style. Relax and model with ease.