

January 2024

Dear 4-H Families,

Happy New Year! We are looking forward to a fantastic 2024, and we are hard at work identifying new ways to connect with our 4-H families and provide quality programming to our membership for the year. We are excited to announce our annual cookie sale fundraiser is transitioning to offer our popular cookie varieties, plus some other local offerings of Wilson Beef Farms Meat Sticks and select Merle Maple Products. This “FUN”draiser is currently our ONLY county wide fundraiser we ask our 4-H membership to participate in. The sale helps cover costs for award trips, program materials, awards and prizes, scholarships and more. Without this fundraiser, we could not continue to provide such a variety of educational programming at a relatively low cost to our families. In years past, we conducted cookie sales through a variety of methods. ***This year we will again be using a pre-order and pre-payment format. This means items will be ordered and paid for during the same period, and then distributed at a later date.*** We hope this will provide families with an opportunity to sell and help support our program. Without this fundraiser, our program offerings would be limited, or more costly to 4-H families.

We strongly encourage all 4-H members (non-Cloverbuds) to participate, if possible, in the 2024 4-H fundraising sale. If every 4-H member sells at least \$100 worth of product, this sale would be a success. We are actively exploring additional fundraising options for the next program year if participation continues to trend down. Please do not hesitate to contact our office with any follow-up questions or concerns. Below are the important dates and details outlined for the 2024 sale!

The 2024 4-H Fundraiser Sale will run Monday, February 19th through Sunday, March 3rd. Orders will be due to your selected fundraiser chairperson on Monday March 4th. Our anticipated delivery date of products will be Thursday April 11th, for distribution that Friday and potentially Saturday (subject to change).

We do understand that a pre-order format is not ideal for all situations, however we cannot afford to place a large order of products without the guarantee that they will be sold. If families want to take the responsibility onto themselves, we can sanction the purchase of cases of products during our sale, with the intention to resell at the same value per package via tabling events, at workplaces, etc.

Please see the next page for more important details – including how to place your order!

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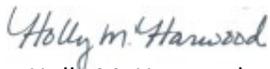
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In this packet, you will find:

- **The official order form** for the 2024 “Fun”draiser. This important piece of paper will need to be submitted to the fundraiser chairperson of your choosing at the end of the sale.
- **Sale Flyer with Graphics of this year’s offerings**
- **Incentive sheet and cash & check form**, to be completed by individual independent members or club leaders and turned in with your order.
- **“Fun”draiser Chair map and directory**. Please choose from one of the six chairpeople that would be most geographically convenient for you. This person will be who you place your order with, and who will communicate with you for product pick up. Please contact your chairperson before the start of the sale so we have an idea of who is selling.

Please consider contacting your fundraiser chair, or the 4-H staff if you have lingering questions and concerns! We look forward to hosting a successful Wyoming County 4-H “Fun”draiser!

Best regards,



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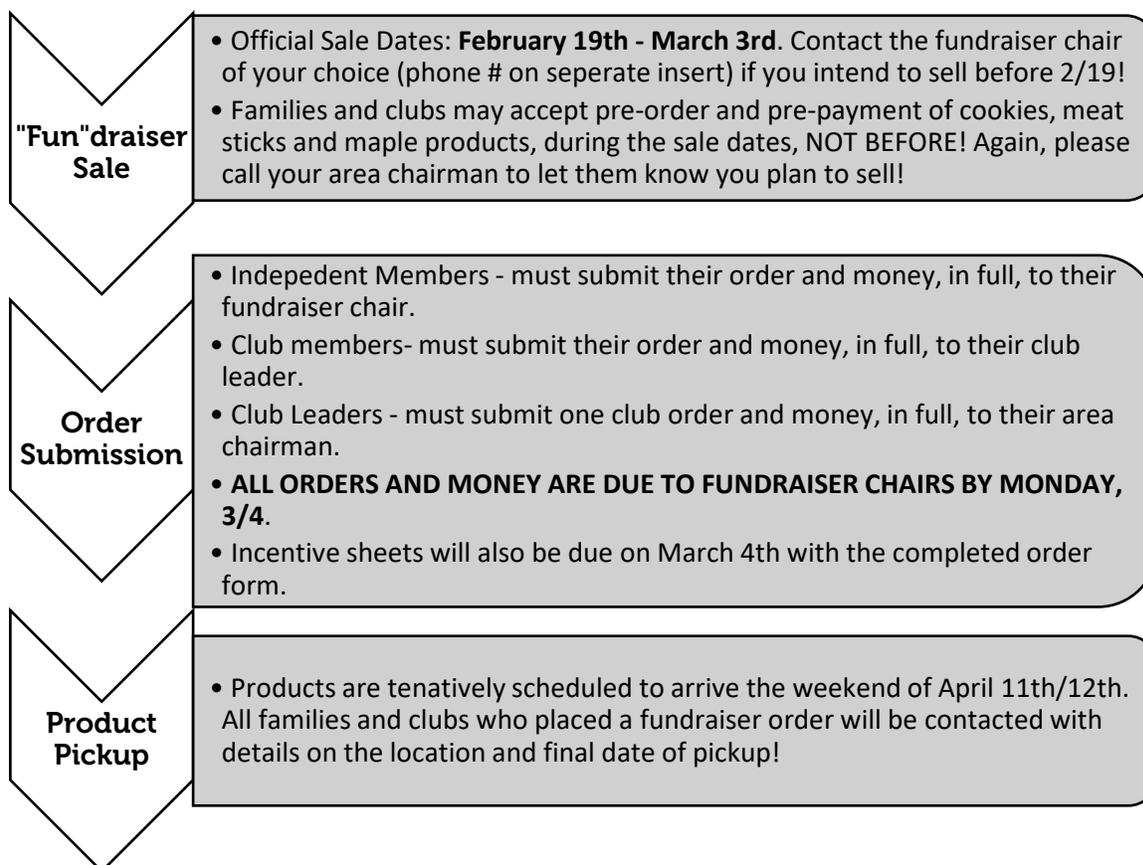
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All orders are final, and orders will only be placed if all payment accompanies the final order on March 6th. Incentive sheets must be turned into your fundraiser chair with your order by no later than March 4th. Gift certificates will be offered for incentive prizes. *Incentives will only be honored if the incentive sheet is filled out and turned into the cookie chair with your complete order. Incentives will be based off the dollar value of total sale per individual; details can be found on the incentive sheet. The top three sellers will receive a gift certificate towards the value of their sale, plus an exclusive 4-H engraved 40 oz. Stanley cup.*