

JUNIOR FAIR POULTRY

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SCHEDULE	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Mandatory Breeding Poultry Check-In</u> Sunday, June 30, 2024, from 4 pm – 6 pm Jr. Fair South Building</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Livestock must be in place</u> Friday, July 26, 7 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Market Animal Weigh In and Breeding Animal Check In</u> Friday, July 26, 8 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Jr Fair Poultry Showmanship</u> Monday, July 29, 11 am Bruner Arena</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Jr Fair Market Poultry Show</u> Tuesday, July 30, 8 am Sheep/Goat Show Arena</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Jr Fair Poultry Show</u> Wednesday, July 31, 8 am Sheep/Goat Show Arena</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Jr Fair Livestock Released</u> Friday, August 2, noon</p>

General Rules

1. Exhibitors are limited to entering 15 breeding birds plus two market entries.
2. EACH MEAT PEN EXHIBITOR MUST SHOW ONE PUREBRED BREEDING BIRD IN ITS JUNIOR FAIR CLASS (including turkeys, ducks, geese, and guineas). If the exhibitor does not show in their breeding class, the exhibitor will not be allowed to sell.
3. All poultry must be free of contagious or infectious diseases including lice and mites.
4. If poultry are fighting with neighboring birds, they may be separated by cardboard, plastic, or moved to another cage, if space permits.
5. All birds will have an assigned cage with a corresponding coop tag. Exhibitors ARE NOT permitted to move their cage and/or coop tag without permission. If there is an issue with the cage or a neighboring bird, please contact a Junior Fair Board Poultry committee member or a Junior Fair adult advisor listed above.
6. A pre-fair check-in will be held for all breeding poultry. During this time, animals will be classed by sex, breed, and variety. Only market turkeys, market broilers, breeding turkeys, and geese are exempt from the check-in. However, those exhibitors will be asked to verify their entries during the check-in event. Blood testing will also be available during this time. A fee will be assessed for each bird tested. (Fee will be determined by the tester and will be published prior to the event). Exhibitors MUST follow the guidelines for this day which will be distributed by the fair office. Once check-in has been completed, no changes will be made at the fair or during move-in. It is the responsibility of the EXHIBITOR to verify ALL entries at check-in.
7. Each Poultry exhibitor must be able to produce one of the following papers (does not include waterfowl):
 - If the chicken, guinea or turkey is under 1 year on the day of the show:
 - a. Copy of hatchery papers from the hatcher or
 - b. Copy of NPIP (National Poultry Improvement Plan) test paper or
 - c. PPLO test papers showing a negative result.
 - If the chicken, guinea or turkey is over 1 year on the day of the show:
 - a. Copy of NPIP (National Poultry Improvement Plan) test paper or
 - b. PPLO test papers showing a negative result.

8. Any turkey over 1 year or under 1 year without hatchery papers must be blood tested by a licensed veterinarian. Exhibitors can upload their paperwork to the entry system, turned in during check-in, to the fair office, or during weigh-in. All birds must have proof of negative Pullorum.

Market Show

1. All broilers and market turkeys must be in the exhibitor's possession by July 1 of the current year. The recommended age for broilers is 6 weeks old. Market turkeys recommended age is 12 weeks.
2. Weigh in will be alphabetically by last name. If exhibitor is not present when name is called, they will be weighed in at the end. Exhibitors do not need to be present for weigh in.
3. Exhibitors may enter, weigh, and exhibit 2 market poultry projects.
 - a. 1 market turkey + 1 pen of broilers = 2 market poultry projects
 - b. 2 pens of broilers = 2 market poultry projects
 - c. 2 market turkeys = 2 market poultry projects
4. A pen of broilers (2 birds) must weigh a minimum of 7 pounds and no more than 14 pounds combined weight. Market turkeys must weigh a minimum of 20 pounds. Once weight has been announced, there will be no re-weighs. The weigh master's decisions are final.
5. After birds have made weight, metal leg bands will be applied by a Junior Fair Board Poultry committee member or an adult advisor.
6. During market classes, ONLY minimal assistance may be provided by members of the exhibitor's immediate family, 4-H advisors or club members.

Breeding Show

1. All breeding birds must be in the exhibitor's possession by May 1.
2. All classes are for an individual bird not pairs.
3. Only breeds and varieties admitted to the APA/ABA may compete for class or overall champions. Non-recognized varieties may only be awarded Reserve Variety or Best Variety, and non-recognized breeds may only be awarded Reserve of Breed or Best of Breed.
4. Any bird entered in the crossbreed class shall be a true crossbreed. For example, a Golden Comet bird shall be shown in the crossbred class. A lavender Wyandotte (a variety that is not recognized by the APA/ABA), for example, would show in the Wyandotte breed class.

Breeding Show Organization

1. Showroom classes for large fowl and bantam birds will be determined based on the number of birds entered after check-in. All bantam ducks will be shown by variety. All light, medium, and heavy weight ducks, geese, breeding turkeys, and guineas will be shown by breed only.

Age Definition

- Cock - A male bird one year old and older
Cockerel - A male bird under one year old
Hen - A female bird one year old and older
Pullet - A female bird under one year old

Showmanship

1. Exhibitors must show for showmanship.
2. Showmanship will be oldest to youngest.

Health and Care

1. All cages and pens must be cleaned daily. On Friday, the cages MUST BE cleaned before move out is complete.

Dress Your Fancy Contest Rules and Regulations

1. Contest will be open to all, regardless of age or gender. However, the contestant must be able to handle the animal. Children 8 years old and younger may have assistance if needed.
2. Contestants are to dress a member of the poultry species and yourself in costume. There is no limit to the costume of choice. It must however fit these guidelines:
 - a. Animal must have the ability to move its wings, head and walk on its own
 - b. Animal will not be harmed in the costume in any way
 - c. Costume must be appropriate for all ages to view
 - d. No nudity or sensitive body parts are to be showing (i.e. chest or rear end showing)
3. Both the animal and the contestant must be dressed, not just one.
4. Placings will be given to the overall, 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners.
5. Categories will be as follows:
 - a. Historical
 - b. Religious
 - c. 60's
 - d. 80's
 - e. Futuristic
 - f. Holiday
 - g. Any other
6. Day of show sign ups are welcome. Sign ups will be held 30 minutes after the conclusion of the breed show in the chicken show arena. Contest will begin 5 minutes after the last sign up has occurred.

JUNIOR FAIR POULTRY CLASSES**Showmanship**

1. 8, 9 10 years old
2. 11 & 12 years old
3. 13 & 14 years old
4. 15 & 16 years old
5. 17 and older

Market Show**A. Market Animals**

1. Broilers
2. Market Turkeys

B. Large Fowl**C. Bantam****D. Ducks****E. Geese****F. Turkey****G. Guinea****H. Crossbreed****Breeding Show Organization**

1. Guinea (cage judged)
2. Breeding Turkey (cage judged)
3. Geese (cage judged)
4. Ducks, Large Fowl
5. Bantam
6. Best of Show

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