



2024 Preble County Junior Fair Newsletter All Things Junior Fair Update

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General Information

Digital Fair Book

The digital fair book can be found at [Fairbook Link](#) on [preblecountyfair.com](#). Digital results will be made available on the fair website underneath the Fair tab by selecting “results”.

Jr Fair Exhibitor Picnic

Sponsored by Butler & Darke Rural Electric

The Annual Jr Fair Exhibitor Picnic is on Friday, July 26th from 5:00 to 8:00 pm located at Rotary Junction. Please make sure to stop by and grab some food and thank our annual sponsors.

Preble Co. Jr. Fair Stock the Trailer Competition

Farm Credit Mid-America and Preble County Junior Fair are once again partnering to collect food donations to benefit local food banks. This year, our competition is being hosted by the Preble County Food & Fashion Board.



Show Attire

Reminder to exhibitors that you are to be in appropriate and respective show attire for each of your shows. If you have questions as to what show attire is expected for a species, please reach out to your 4-H or FFA Advisor.

Pen Information

Reminder, due to the high volume of goat, sheep, and hog entries there will be NO tack stalls in the barns. There will be no exceptions to this, any tack placed in a pen will need to be removed as we do not have any additional pens available.

Move-In Information

All animals may begin moving in on Thursday, July 25th at 8:00 am. All animals must be in place by 7:00 pm on Friday, July 26th. Any animals placed on the grounds on Thursday must be supervised by the family; no barn attendants will be doing checks until Friday, same as last year.

All forms are due at the scale for market animals, and forms for breeding animals are due at breeding check-in.

EID Tags

The following Breeding and Market Animals - Beef, Sheep, Swine, and Goats - must have a Preble County Jr. Fair, EID tag in place upon arrival at the fairgrounds.



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Weigh-Ins

Weigh-ins will begin at 8:00 pm on Friday, July 27th, please instruct your club or chapter to follow the direction of the attendant in the barn to begin weighing animals. Do not start lining up until instruction has been given. All sale scratches and forms must be made at the scale for market animals, no exceptions.

Sheep & Goat weigh-in order: sheep then goats- After weigh-ins, we will check in breeding sheep and then breeding goats.

Hog weigh-in order: Middle Barn, East Barn, and West Barn. There is to be only one parent and exhibitor in the swine barn during weigh-ins. For the safety of small children, we ask that they not be present in the barn during this time.

Sale Scratch Forms

All sale scratches must be turned in at the time of weigh-in. No sale scratches will be accepted after the conclusion of the weigh-in, no exceptions. The sale scratch form can be found online at preblecountyfair.com. **All forms must be completed with a full EID number or they will not be accepted.**

DUNF Forms

All market and lactating animals MUST fill out a DUNF - one per animal. These forms will be filled out using an online survey. You must complete the form for each market animal.

Ex. if you have 2 market lambs, you need to complete the survey 2 times.

Other Forms

- United Producers - Producer Affidavit
- Poultry & Rabbit - 1 per exhibitor 2024
- Beef Form 1 per animal
- Market Beef Exhibitor Release Form 1 per exhibitor
- Species Registration Forms: Beef and Swine

All forms are available on preblecountyfair.com under the fair tab. Forms must be turned in **at the scale.**

Breeding Check-In following Weigh-Ins

After weigh-ins are complete for a species we will begin checking in breeding animals.. The breeding check-in process will require one family representative to be present in the barn at your pen. This process will assist us with preparing accurate and timely show bills for the week. Once all of your market animals are weighed in and breeding animals are checked in the family is set.

Horse Exhibitors

Please follow the directions of posted signage for designated animal areas. All Jr. Fair Horses must be in place by 9:00 pm on July 26th. The fair vet will be doing a visual inspection of all horses.

Attention Jr Fair Horse 4H Members and Families. Horse trailer parking for the week of the Preble Co Fair will be located at the North end of the horse arena. Please park along the North fence line in two organized rows. Starting at the fence line along the Rt 35 entrance.



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Parking near the gravel drive is reserved for Open Horse Show haul-ins and daily parking. All horse trailers parked in the Open show parking area will be towed at the owner's expense.

Sheep Exhibitors

This year we will be weighing all commercial lambs. After the weighing of animals, we will begin checking in breeding sheep.

Swine Exhibitors

A minimum hair length of 3/4" will be required on each hog. Animals with less than 3/4" will be disqualified. The Senior Fairboard hires an out-of-county individual to check hair length. Please review the entire clipping rule in the fair book.

All hogs scratched from the sale MUST be removed from the barns on Thursday of the fair between 6:00 pm and 9:00 pm. Any hogs left in the barns after 9:00 pm will go on the truck!

Showmanship Reminders

As you are competing throughout the week, a reminder that exhibitors who place at the top of their age division will be asked to use their animals in the Showman of Showmen Contest on Thursday, August 1st.

If you are the Showman of Showmen of a specific species. You will be asked to fill out a document and receive instructions after your respective showmanship. All Showman of Showmen Members will need to report to the Rabbit Barn for a mandatory meeting at 6:15 pm on Thursday, August 1st.

The Showman of Showmen Contest will begin at 6:45 pm on Thursday, August 1st at the Rabbit Show Ring with Rabbits and Poultry. We will then proceed to the Bullen Equestrian Arena for the remainder of the show. Please join us for an evening of fun and celebrating Preble County Junior Fair Exhibitors.

2024 Preble County Junior Fair Sale

The sale order is Sale of Champions - Expo: Goats, Hogs, JFB Hog, Market Beef, Feeder Calves, Lambs, Broilers and Turkeys, Rabbits

Expo Sale: Market Beef, Feeder Calves, and Lambs, Goats

Bruner Arena Sale: Hogs, Broilers and Turkeys, Rabbits

All sale information is available on the Preble County Fair Website 2024 Fairbook -> Jr. Fair Department's -> Livestock Sale Sale Scratches If you want to keep your animal, it must be scratched from the sale.

All sale scratch forms must be turned in at the time of weigh-ins. We have buyers for all species, feeder calves must also be scratched from the sale.

Dairy & Baked Good Silent Auction

The Dairy & Baked Good Silent Auction will take place on Friday, August 2nd from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm in the Expo Expansion.



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Cloverbud Share Day

On Saturday, August 3rd at 9:00 am in the Expo Expansion, all Preble County Cloverbuds are invited to come and share what they have accomplished this year. Cloverbuds are encouraged to bring posters or something else that shows what they have done.

End of the Fair Week Reminders

Please ensure that once your animals are released or sold, that all stalls and pens have been cleaned. ALL materials within the pen need to be removed.

We ask that you also assist us in fair tear down after the sale and the following days.