

Celebrating America's 250th Birthday!

177th Calhoun County Fair

August 16 - 22, 2026

177TH CALHOUN
COUNTY FAIR

AUGUST 16 - 22, 2026

Stars, Stripes, and
Hot Summer Nights!

Fair Book Dedication



George Youngdahl

This book is dedicated to the memory of **George Youngdahl**, a devoted family man, proud veteran, and faithful servant to his community.

George was known for his kindness, generosity, and gentle spirit. He loved his family, enjoyed singing, and found great joy in serving others. For many years, his voice welcomed fairgoers as he proudly sang the National Anthem to open events at the grandstand and at Cruise at the Fountain. He could also be found driving the courtesy golf cart, helping visitors get safely to and from their cars with a smile and a friendly word.

George generously shared his time and resources, especially with the children of the fair, always looking for ways to make someone's day a little brighter. His dedication to the **Calhoun County Fair** and the people who attended it reflected his lifelong commitment to service, community, and compassion.

May this dedication honor a man whose life was defined by love of family, service to others, and a heart that touched countless lives. His legacy of kindness, generosity, and patriotism will long be remembered.



Dear Friends, Family and Fairgoers!

As we gear up for our 177th Calhoun County Fair and our Country's 250th celebration, this is a time to reflect on our rich history, our partnership with community members, sponsors and relationships with our exhibitors, patrons, volunteers, and staff. It is about the kids who take pride in their exhibits, it is about friendships they make, the fun times with their peers and learning new things. We recognize their hard work that goes into their projects and appreciate their efforts as well as commitment to a job well done! We are grateful to be able to be part of the fast-paced atmosphere of the fair activities. Our youth are our building blocks to sustain into the future, and we encourage all ages to participate.

Sincerely,
Doug Wildt
CCAIS-President



ADMISSION/PASSES/TICKETS

Non-Transferrable

⇒ Kids 9 & Under.....	FREE
⇒ Daily Gate Admission (the 17th–22nd).....	\$10.00
⇒ Daily Gate Admission (Sunday the 16th ONLY).....	\$5.00
⇒ Weekly Gate Pass (Seven individual per day pass).....	\$55.00
⇒ Daily Parking.....	FREE
⇒ * Weekly Gate Pass (Seven individual per day pass).....	\$25.00

(*Exclusive to 2026 CCAIS Members ONLY- limit 1 per membership. Members must be present to receive. Must purchase before August 16th to be eligible for the discount. Must be 18 years and older to become a member)



GRETCHEN WHITMER
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
LANSING

GARLIN GILCHRIST II
LT. GOVERNOR

July 1, 2026

Dear Friends,

It's county fair season, Michigan! Grab your family and friends and head down to one of Michigan's 80+ county fairs happening in communities across our state during the 2026 fair season.

From the grandstand concerts at the Ionia Free Fair, one the nation's largest free-admission fairs, to classic livestock shows and agricultural exhibits at the Hillsdale County Fair, Michigan's county fairs feature learning and fun for the whole family.

There's something special about our communities coming together each year for their county fairs and celebrating what makes Michigan such a great place to live—our vibrant communities, rich agricultural heritage, and hardworking families. Whether you're enjoying local foods, cheering on the next generation of 4-H stars and future leaders of Michigan's agricultural industry, or just soaking in the excitement, I have no doubt that you will have a great time at your local county fair.

As your Governor, I am proud of the hard work and passion that goes into the exhibits and projects showcased at our county fairs. I want to thank all the sponsors, exhibitors, or fairgoers for supporting your community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gretchen Whitmer".

Gretchen Whitmer
Governor of Michigan



GRETCHEN WHITMER
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

DR. TIM BORING
DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

On behalf of Michigan's fair industry, welcome to the 2026 county fair season!

Millions of people attend Michigan's county fairs each year, enjoying the sights, sounds, and activities that have become an annual tradition across the state.

Michigan's county fairs are cornerstones of social and cultural community identity. These annual events bring people together and maintain essential connections to rural traditions at a time when people are increasingly disconnected from agriculture and food production. Our state's more than 80 local, county, and state fairs provide safe, family-friendly entertainment and celebrate our important agricultural heritage.

County fairs also support nearly 50,000 Michigan youth who participate in livestock and community art exhibitions each year. These youth activities are meaningful educational and professional development opportunities and build lifelong connections with agriculture. The support provided by local businesses and families also provides meaningful resources for continuing education.

Since 2019, MDARD has delivered more than \$7.9 million in grants to help county fairs build grandstands, livestock barns, and other infrastructure and to support livestock and commodity exhibitions. For 2026, MDARD launched a new grant program to help county fairs invest in water infrastructure upgrades including water lines, wells, and filtration systems. And MDARD continues to support the safety and success of county fairs by licensing and inspecting food vendors, performing animal health inspections, and delivering educational programming.

Whether you are here as a sponsor, exhibitor, or fairgoer, many family memories await you. I wish you great adventures during the 2026 fair season.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tim Boring
Director

2026 GENERAL FAIR INFORMATION

OFFICE INFORMATION.....269-781-8161

The Fair Office will be open the following hours for fair week:

Sunday, August 16-Saturday, August 22.....8:00am-6:00pm

Sunday, August 23.....8:00am-1:00pm

ENTRIES DUE: Friday, June 12th, 2026

CARNIVAL HOURS/INFORMATION

Monday, August 17.....5:00pm to CLOSE

Tuesday, August 18.....11:00am to CLOSE

Wednesday, August 19.....2:00pm to CLOSE

Thursday, August 20.....11:00am to CLOSE

Friday, August 21.....1:00pm to CLOSE

Saturday, August 22.....1:00pm to CLOSE

Daily Unlimited Ride Wristbands

Presale online: www.TJSchmidtCarnival.com

Fair week: Available at the Carnival Ticket Booth

Monday, Wednesday-Saturday: \$30.00 / Wristband

Tuesday (Kids Day) : \$20.00 / Wristband

*TJ Schmidt to verify hours of operation

Carnival Inquiries/Questions: mifun@tjschmidtcarival.com

Price & operation times subject to change based on MDHHS capacity restrictions

HANDICAPPED PARKING

Reserved parking available in the lot between the Fair Office and the Koster Horse Arena, first come first served (must have valid handicap license plate or hang tag). Violators will be towed!

Individuals wishing to return the same day **will be provided a hand stamp** at the gate and will be allowed to leave and return to the fair on the same day at no additional cost. A wristband or stamped hand is your only admission back into the grounds

SPECIAL FAIR DAYS

Monday, August 17-Veteran's & First Responder's Day

Active/retired military as well as First Responders (EMT, Fire, Police, and Dispatchers) receive free gate entry from **9am-3pm (MUST SHOW ID)**.

Tuesday, August 18 -Kids Day

Free kids activities in the New Belcher Building **9am-1pm**. Superheroes/Princesses will be on the fairgrounds from **10:30am-1:30pm**.

Wednesday, August 19-Senior & Health Day

All Seniors receive free gate entry (60 years and older) from 9am-3pm, and there are free activities/info in the New Belcher Building from 9am-1pm.

Thursday, August 20-

FireKeepers Casino Hotel Team Member Day

Sponsored by FireKeepers Casino and Hotel

FireKeepers team members and tribal members receive free gate entry **(MUST SHOW BADGE)**.

Friday, August 21 - Red, White, and Blue Day

Show your patriotic spirit by wearing your favorite red, white, and blue! Be part of history as photographer will walk the fairgrounds capturing photos throughout the day.

Saturday, August 22-Teacher Appreciation Day

Teaching Personnel Receive free gate entry from **9am-3pm (MUST SHOW ID)**.

NO REFUNDS OR EXCHANGES / NO PHONE CALL RESERVATIONS/ ALL EVENTS HELD RAIN OR SHINE

All major credit/debit cards accepted at the Grandstand Ticket Booths, Beer Tent, Fairgrounds Office, and online. 3% surcharge is added for all card purchases. If using a card to purchase Grandstand tickets through the website, **there will be a 10% platform fee per ticket AND a processing fee**. Checks payable to: CCAIS.

***Please note to receive a Family Pass for Grandstand events, children's names and ages must be provided.**

GRANDSTAND TICKET INFORMATION

Presale online (all events): www.CalhounCountyFairgrounds.com

♦ Day of tickets available at the Grandstand Ticket Booth

♦ @ 5:00pm Monday-Friday

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♦ @ 3:00pm Saturday ONLY

MONDAY, AUGUST 17—7:00 PM

TK Pro Rodeo with special guest DeWayne Spaw

- Grandstand - \$15 (ages 10 & over)
- Grandstand - \$10 (Kids 9 & Under)
- GS Family Pass - \$40 (2A & 2K) (Kids 9 & Under)
- Infield - \$20
- VIP Stage - \$30

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18 —11:00 AM

TK Pro Rodeo: Sensory Friendly (Afternoon)

- FREE!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18 —7:00 PM

TK Pro Rodeo: Rodeo Featuring Free Style Bull Fights with special guest DeWayne Spaw

- Grandstand - \$15 (ages 10 & over)
- Grandstand - \$10 (Kids 9 & Under)
- GS Family Pass - \$40 (2A & 2K) (Kids 9 & Under)
- Infield - \$20
- VIP Stage - \$30

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19 —7:00 PM

Truck Pulls

- Grandstand - \$15 (ages 10 & over)
- Grandstand - \$10 (Kids 9 & Under)
- GS Family Pass - \$40 (2A & 2K) (Kids 9 & Under)
- Infield - \$20
- VIP Stage - \$30

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20 —7:00 PM

Calhoun County Cannonball Run

- Grandstand - \$15 (ages 10 & over)
- Grandstand - \$10 (Kids 9 & Under)
- GS Family Pass - \$40 (2A & 2K) (Kids 9 & Under)
- Infield - \$20
- VIP Stage - \$30

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21 —7:00 PM

Night of Destruction

- Grandstand - \$15 (ages 10 & over)
- Grandstand - \$10 (Kids 9 & Under)
- Infield - \$25
- VIP Stage - \$30

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22—6:30 PM

Demolition Derby

- Grandstand - \$20 (ages 10 & over)
- Grandstand - \$15 (Kids 9 & Under)
- Infield - \$25
- VIP Stage - \$50

Grandstand Special Passes

Dynamic Duo (Both Mon & Tues Nights)

• Grandstand - \$25 (ages 10 & over)

• Grandstand - \$15 (Kids 9 & Under)

• Grandstand Family Pass - \$70 (2A & 2K) (Kids 9 & Under)

Trifecta Pass (Thurs-Sat Nights)

• Grandstand - \$40 (ages 10 & over)

• Grandstand - \$35 (Kids 9 & Under)

Mega Pass (All 6 Nights!)

• Grandstand - \$80 (ages 10 & over)

• Grandstand - \$50 (Kids 9 & Under)

VIP Pass (All 6 Nights!)

• VIP Stage - \$150 (all ages)

See page 7 for Ticket Disclaimer.

2026 Calhoun County Fair Schedule of Events

Saturday, August 15th

- 9am Youth Nonlivestock Project Judging (new red building)
- 10am Antique Tractor Pulls (Grandstand) - FREE
- 2pm Style Revue (new red building)
- 5pm Open Horticulture Judging (Floral Hall)
- 6pm Open Horse Pulls (Grandstand) - FREE

Sunday, August 16th

- 8am Rabbit Show (Rabbit Barn)
- 9am Poultry Show (Poultry Barn)
 - Open Floriculture Judging (Floral Hall)
 - Mini Horse & Donkey Show (Covered Arena)
 - Drive-in Hitch Show (Grandstand) - FREE
 - Open Culinary Judging (Floral Hall)
- 9am-9pm FFA Animal Education Tent (By Houston School)
- 11am Open Agriculture Judging (Floral Hall)
- 2pm Fair King and Queen Contest (Grandstand) - FREE
- 2pm Livestock Judging (Sheep/Goat Barn)

Monday, August 17th

Veteran's/First Responder's Day – Sponsored by ITC

- 8:30am Dairy Show (Covered Arena)
 - Presentation of Colors (Koster Arena)
 - Goat Show (Covered Arena)
 - Open Fine & Folk Art Judging (Floral Hall)
 - 9am Youth Horse Show (Koster Arena)
 - Open Antiques Judging (Floral Hall)
 - Open Photography Judging (Floral Hall)
 - Open Needlework Judging (Floral Hall)
 - 9am-9pm FFA Animal Education Tent (By Houston School)
 - 10am Dairy Starter Calf Show (Covered Arena)
 - Starts AFTER the Dairy Show—
 - 12pm Flag Raising Ceremony (Fair Office)
 - 2pm Sheep Show (Covered Arena)
 - 2pm-10pm BINGO (Southside of Merchant's Building)
- ⇒ **7:00pm TK Pro Rodeo (Grandstand)**

Tuesday, August 18th

Kids Day – Sponsored by Maynard Family McDonald's

- 8am Youth Draft Horse Show (Draft Barn & Covered Arena)
 - 8:30am Presentation of Colors (Koster Arena)
 - 9am Youth Dog Show (Infield)
 - Wool Judging
 - Youth Horse Show (Koster Arena)
 - Open Group Exhibit Judging (Floral Hall)
 - 9am-9pm FFA Animal Education Tent (By Houston School)
 - 10am Steer Homebred Show (Location TBD)
 - 10:30am Frog Jumping Contest (Houston School)
 - 10:30am-1:30pm Superheroes/Princesses around the Fairgrounds
- ⇒ **11am TK Pro Rodeo: Sensory Friendly (Grandstand)**
- 11:30am Beef Breeding Show (Covered Arena)
 - 1pm Kids Day Prize Drawing (Fire Keepers Casino and Hotel (FKCH) Community Tent)
 - 2pm-10pm BINGO (Southside of Merchant's Building)
 - 5pm Youth Market Beef Sales Presentations
- ⇒ **7:00pm TK Pro Rodeo: Extreme Bull Riding (Grandstand)**

Wednesday, August 19th

Senior & Health Day —Sponsored by Oaklawn Hospital

- 8:30am Presentation of Colors (Koster Arena)
 - Swine Show (Covered Arena)
 - 9am Youth Horse Show (Koster Arena)
 - 9am-9pm FFA Animal Education Tent (By Houston School)
 - 1pm-10pm BINGO (Southside of Merchant's Building)
 - 3pm Youth Market Beef Show (Covered Arena)
- ⇒ **7:00pm Truck Pulls (Grandstand)**

Thursday, August 20th

FireKeepers Casino and Hotel Team Member Day

Sponsored by FireKeepers Casino and Hotel

- 8:30am Presentation of Colors (Koster Arena)
 - 9am Youth Horse Show (Koster Arena)
 - Open Horse Halter Show (Covered Arena)
 - Light Horse & Pony Hitch Show (Covered Arena) to follow Open Horse Halter Show
 - TBD Youth Demonstrations (Boys & Girls Building)
 - 9am-9pm FFA Animal Education Tent (By Houston School)
 - 11am-1pm Livestock Skillathon (in tent by Covered Arena)
 - 12pm Beef Fitting & Showing (Covered Arena)
 - 1:30pm Goat Fitting Contest
 - 2pm-10pm BINGO (Southside of Merchant's Building)
 - 2:30pm Working Goat Show
 - 5:30pm Small Animal Auction (Covered Arena)
- ⇒ **7:00pm Calhoun County Cannonball Run (Grandstand)**

Friday, August 21st

Red, White, and Blue Day

- 9am-9pm FFA Animal Tent (By Houston School)
 - 11am Large Animal Education Auction (Covered Arena)
 - 2pm-10pm BINGO (Southside of Merchant's Building)
 - 6pm Comedian Andy Beningo (Fire Keepers Casino and Hotel (FKCH) Community Tent)
- ⇒ **7:00pm Night of Destruction (Grandstand)**

Saturday, August 22nd

Teacher Appreciation Day —Sponsored by Kellogg Community College

- 9am Calhoun County Horse Pulls (Grandstand) - FREE
 - 9am-9pm FFA Animal Education Tent (By Houston School)
 - 4-H CLOVERBUD SHOW not to start prior to 12:00pm (Koster Arena)
 - 12pm Show of Champions (Covered Arena)
 - 2pm-10pm BINGO (Southside of Merchant's Building)
 - 3pm General Market Project Auction (Covered Arena)
 - 4pm Youth Riding Horses Awards (Covered Arena)
- ⇒ **6:30pm Demolition Derby (Grandstand)**

ALL WEEK...Carnival Rides, Calhoun County Fair Museum, Community Stage (Free Entertainment), Old Maple Grove Church Entertainment nightly, FCE Bingo

Ticket Stub Disclaimer for All Grandstand Events:

The holder of this ticket assumes all risk and danger incidental to the event for which this ticket provides admission, including, but not limited to, the danger posed by a foreign object entering any seating or viewing area, and the holder agrees that the Calhoun County Agricultural and Industrial Society and its agents, vendors, or independent contractors are not liable for any injuries.

2026 CCAIS Board of Directors



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President
Term expires Nov 2028



Tyler Avery
1st Vice President
Term expires Nov 2027



Erik Myers
2nd Vice President
Term expires Nov 2027



Cynthia Newsome
Treasurer
Term expires Nov 2027



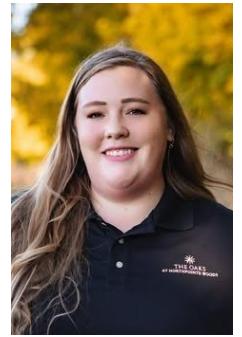
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Term expires Nov 2028



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Trustee
Term expires Nov 2028



Neisha Hart
Trustee
Term expires Nov 2027



Steve Benham
Trustee
Term expires Nov 2026



Evan Leach
Trustee
Term expires Nov 2026



Brent Lincoln
Trustee
Term expires Nov 2026

*CCAIS Board Meetings
are held the third
Wednesday of each
month at 7:00pm.*

*Meetings are open to
the public and minutes
are posted on the fair-
groundswebsite*

Calhoun County Fairgrounds Staff

Main Staff

Cathy Combs, Fairgrounds Manager
Amanda Jordan, Bookkeeper
Sherry Langwell, Office Staff
Mark Willerick, Grounds Maintenance
John Yirku, Grounds Maintenance
Nancy Yirku, Grounds Maintenance

Summer Help

Kristin Loew
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Bianca Gonzalez
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2026 CCAIS Committees

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Erik Myers *
Cynthia Newsome *
Kristen Murphy*

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Steve Benham*
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Halloween Camping

Committee

Chris Young*
Brent Lincoln*

Fair Week Camping Committee

Evan Leach*
Erik Myers*
Doug Wildt

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Beth Letts
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Sandy Damron
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Chris Young*
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Roger South
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Fairgrounds Office

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Shelly Densmore
Neisha Hart*

BE Henry Committee

Doug Wildt *
Vic Potter*

Livestock Committee

Doug Wildt*
Evan Leach*
Steve Benham*

2025 Lifetime CCAIS Members

Chris Young

Chris started out as a volunteer with the Sheriff's department, then organizing the Sheriff's posse prior to becoming a board member. He makes sound decisions, assists with policy changes and interpretation of bylaws. He has created the Emergency Fair Plan as well as part of the Animal Emergency plan. Chris takes charge and is a strong supporter of the CCAIS, fair and our other vents. **THANK YOU CHRIS!**

Brian Hasty and Kevin Belcher

Brian and Kevin have been instrumental with the Livestock Auction and supporting the youth of the fair for many years. They both have donated their time and have a positive influence to the youth and as a patron of the fair. We appreciate all that both Brian and Kevin have done in making our fair a success. **THANK YOU BRIAN HASTY AND KEVIN BELCHER!**

2025 Shing Star Awards

Craig Wykoff - Cruise at the Fountain

Crais has been on the Cruise committee for a few years. He had the idea of inviting Vintage Campers to be part of the Cruise. He not only invites them, but he also recruits, organizes and is the liaison between the committee and the campers. Each year we have had more campers join the event because of Craig. He is a great person to have as the contact person as he keeps everything under control. **THANK YOU CRAIG!**

Jessica Olds - All Events

Jessica was one of the first to be voluntold to work in the office for 2 months as a volunteer.

This is the period of time in 2021 when the fair was financially struggling and had huge changes. She jumped in then to help save the fair and has not stopped. With her Dad, Jim Olds as the Board President, and with being a past exhibitor, she had the knowledge and history of the fair. Jessica is someone that has helped in many areas; in the office, pounding fence posts in the ground, hanging Christmas lights, helping run the beer tent, checking cars at the Cruise, helping put-in and take-out during our Winter Storage, or working the gate during Merry Mile. We appreciate your commitment, your funny stories, your willingness to still help on your days off and continuing to be a great supporter of the fairgrounds. **THANK YOU JESSICA!**

Brad Parker - Merry Mile

Brad is behind the scenes volunteer. He has been helping with Merry Mile and the fair since 2021. He would help his grandfather Earl Goodrich with fixing our lights for Merry Mile. Since Earl's passing, you will find Brad taking home tubs upon tubs of lights needing repair and returning the lights to the fairgrounds to be used on our many displays. We are fortunate to have Brad as this is needed as we would not be able to constantly replace lights. Brad is also a big help during fair week with organizing the gate personnel. **THANK YOU BRAD!**

Rebekah Flynn - Fair Week

Rebekah is a person who tells you she will do something and does not take no for an answer. She has helped with contacting grandstand sponsors, volunteers, communicating with infield personnel, grandstand and the office. She is great at organizing each event, each day for the week. Thank you, Becca, for taking time out of your busy schedule, for being reliable year after year and committed to truly making sure our fair is a success! We

appreciate all that you do! **THANK YOU REBEKAH!**

Ken Letts - Fair Week

Ken has put in a lot of hours for a lot of years on the infield during the events, especially the Combine Derby, Car Hockey, and Demo Derby just to name a few. If there are questions about Demo Derby, Ken is who we call. Ken also volunteers as the Assistant Chief with the Marengo Fire Department, and we appreciate the support from Ken and the fire department during our events. He started out as a 4H exhibitor, has helped with his dad, Charlie with the dairy Barn while Charlie was the Fair Manager. He is an active CCAIS Lifetime Member and is someone that gives 110% in any area needing help. We cannot thank you enough Ken and value you as a strong supporter of our fair. **THANK YOU KEN!**

In Memory of

Charlie J Letts

5/15/1942 – 7/9/2025

- Active CCAIS Board Member
- 4-H Dairy Leader
- Manager at the Fairgrounds

Donald T. Walter

4/21/1944-10/3/2025

- 4H Small Engines Club Leader

Helen Leota Benham

6/10/1927 – 11/16/2025

- 4H South Albion Club Leader
- Mother of Board member Steve Benham

Shirley Ann Coats

12/1/1946-12/2/2025

- 4H Club Leader

Elma Gene Bosserd

6/24/1926 – 2/22/2026

- Shared in all her husband's jobs

• 4H Beef Club Leader

George Miles Youngdahl
7/30/1944 – 5/1/2025

• Sang the National Anthem at all Fairgrounds events
• Drove courtesy carts at the Fair
• Longtime supporter of the Fair and Cruise at the Fountain

Phil Brent Fairchild
8/2/1957 – 4/27/2026

• 4H Draft Horse Club Leader

Paul David Woods
3/25/1941 – 4/2/2026

• 4H Club Leader
• CCAIS Board Member

Winnie Lautzenheiser
2/19/1932 – 4/11/2026

• 4H involvement helping club members with sewing, Baking, and Demonstrations to name a few.
• 60 years of involvement in Calhoun County

Kaye Elizabeth Schragg
Passed away on 12/27/2025

• Longtime 4H Supporter
• Fair Week participant
• Member of the Calhoun County Horse Breeders Association

Paula Jo Miller
Passed away on 12/12/2025

• 4H Sheep Club Leader

Rexine Cockroft
09/19/1930 – 06/06/2026

• Longtime Vendor at the Fair

Legacy Honorees

We want to recognize the following individuals who have made a profound, lasting and generational impact with our organization.

- Bud Moe
- Myron Avery
- JoAnne McKeever
- Vic Parker
- Jim Hamilton
- Charlie Parker
- Mike Flynn
- Charlie Letts
- Paul Woods
- Dick Kellogg
- George Youngdahl
- Ed Belcher Senior
- Ed Belcher Jr.
- Rexine Cockroft



Red, White, and Blue!

Red, White, and Blue—our colors, tried and true,

We honor our Country and we honor our flag: Red, White, and Blue.

Land of the Free and Home of the Brave,

We salute all who serve from sea to shining sea.

Two hundred fifty years of Independence we proudly celebrate,

And the 177th Calhoun County Fair joins in this tribute so great.

Red, White, and Blue—colors of courage and dedication,

We are proud to be part of this great Nation!

Stars, Stripes, and Hot Summer Nights,

As we celebrate together beneath the fairground lights.

Shoot for the stars, have fun, and learn something new,

Working together each day in all that you do.

Remember the colors chosen so long ago,

Symbols of freedom whose meaning continues to grow.

Red, White, and Blue—forever shining through,

The colors of America, proud and true.

Happy 250th USA and 177th Calhoun County Fair!

*Written by Cathy Combs
Fairgrounds Manager*

The Calhoun County Fair Board is proud to celebrate our 177th County Fair. We are committed to providing a venue where people can exhibit agricultural products of all types and to educate the public and foster the development of our youth.

2026

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CALHOUN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

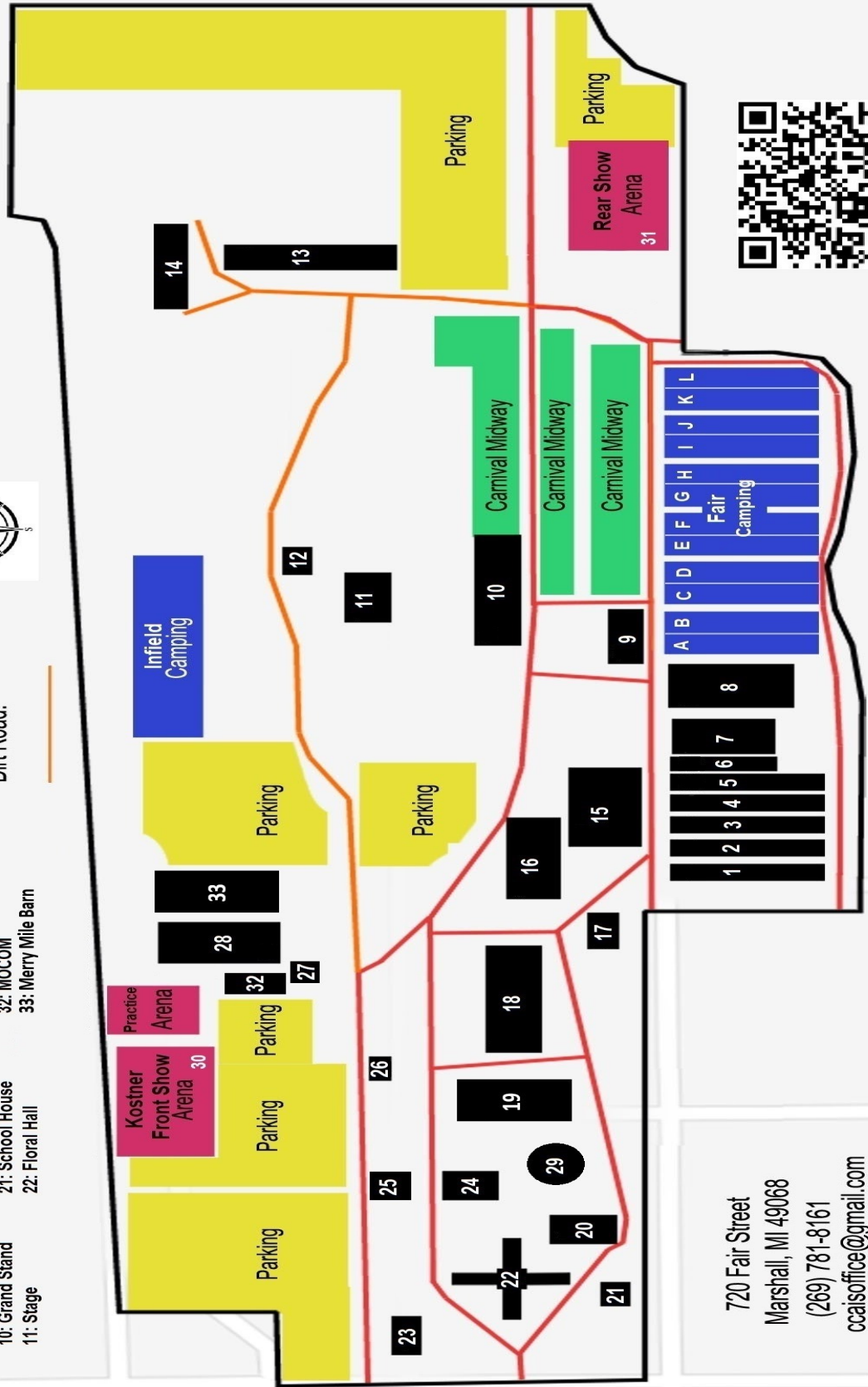
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Paved Road:

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- 1: Swine Barn
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Calhoun County Fair ~ Rules and Regulations

ENTRY DEADLINE: Friday, June 12, 2026, by 5:00pm received at Fairgrounds Office.

NO EXCEPTIONS!!! On-line web Pag: <https://calhounmi.fairwire.com>

Article 1 – General

- **The 177th Annual Calhoun County Fair will open Sunday, August 16, 2026, and continue until Saturday evening, August 22, 2026.**
- The Fair is under the direction of the Calhoun County Agricultural & Industrial Society (CCAIS). The CCAIS Board has the final decision in all matters. Superintendents will oversee each division of the Fair, who, with assistants or clerks as needed, will have the exclusive management of their department. Such Superintendents will have charge of the entries of all articles in their division, the overseeing of the Judges, and will make a full report of all entries and awards to the Fairgrounds Office before the close of the Fair. In disputes, the CCAIS Board or its designee will have the final decision.
- The CCAIS Board reserves the right to cancel any event without prior notice and without incurring any liability except the return of any entry fee paid. The CCAIS Board reserves the right to withdraw all, or pay in part, premiums offered within each department. Any damage, loss or injury cause to the grounds, another exhibitor, or their exhibits will be the liability of the person (s) causing the damage. The CCAIS and associated management shall in no way be held responsible for the damage or injury caused. CCAIS reserves all rights to amend this document at any time.

Article 2 – Exhibitors

- Competition is open to all, unless otherwise specified. An exhibitor's entry fee will entitle an individual to make entry in any department. It will not include fair gate admissions. **All Youth Members wishing to enter in open classes may do so under the same rules and regulations as other exhibitors, including paying the \$10 entry fee and paying pen fees, even if the animal is also shown in the Youth Division.**
- Entries must be made and all fees paid in advance of the entry deadline, **June 12, 2026**, at the Fairgrounds Office in person or by mail. Entry Forms, Fair Premium Books, and other instructions are available at the Fairgrounds Office, or online: www.calhouncountyfairgrounds.com.
- Officers will be on the grounds and all exhibits shall be in place Sunday, August 16, 2026, by 10:00pm (unless otherwise noted).
- Entry deadline is **June 12, 2026**, for non-livestock and open classes by 5:00 P.M...**NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE, NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- All entries must be made in the name of the owner, grower or producer, which person shall pay the prescribed exhibitor's fee.
- All non-animal exhibits will be removed on Sunday after Fair 2026, by noon.
- Market livestock animal classes – Exhibitor must be the owner. Animal exhibits will not be released before 6:00am on Sunday after Fair 2026, except by written permission of the superintendent or unless the animals are going to market. Every article or animal on the Fairgrounds will be under the control of the CCAIS, all reasonable precautions will be taken for their safekeeping. The CCAIS will not be responsible for any damage or loss that may occur, and upon this condition entries are received.
- Entry tags are available at the Fairgrounds Office. Exhibitors should fill these out with the correct department, class, and lot for the entry. Exhibitors must be careful to place these entry tags on or near the articles. Exhibitors must completely fill out their own entry tags.
- No person shall be allowed to act as judge of any class in which he or she is a competitor and no premium will be paid to persons violating this rule. Any exhibitor who shall in any way attempt to influence the decision of the judges shall forfeit all claims to premiums.
- Any animal eligible to registry cannot compete in the grade class.
- The CCAIS Board or its designee reserves the right to refuse any entries, especially if an unreasonable amount of room is required. A statement of the number of pens required should accompany each animal entry.
- Exhibitors will not be permitted to call attention to their exhibits in a noisy or disorderly way.
- In case the receipts of the Fair are insufficient to pay the expenses and premiums in full, the premiums may be prorated among those entitled to same. Ribbons will be awarded in all classes unless specified by department, section, or class. Ribbons awarded in classes in Youth Departments are specified in that section.
- All exhibitors must attend required superintendent meetings.
- All Beginner exhibitors will not participate in the Show of Champions.
- Any damage, loss or injury cause to the grounds, another exhibitor or their exhibits will be the liability of the person(s) causing the damage. The CCAIS and associated management shall in no way be held responsible for the damage or injury caused.
- All animals must be exhibited in the name of the owner, all products of the soil in the name of the producer, and articles of craftsmanship must be the handiwork of the exhibitor.

Exhibitor's Youth/Open Class Entry Fee - \$10.00 - (This does not include a week pass)

Pen Fees:

All Dairy, Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats and Horses: \$3.00 per animal

All Rabbits, Cavy, Pocket Pets, and Poultry: \$1.00 per animal

2026 FAIR FAQ

EXHIBITOR INFO FOR SHOWING

Fair Exhibitor Paper Entry Form can be found on the website or can be picked up at the Fair-ground's office during office hours.

EXHIBITOR PAYMENT

Select the Qty for **Entry fee (\$10.00 per Exhibitor).**

For **Manure/Pen Fee**, please select the qty of animals you will be showing:

- **\$3.00 per Horse, Swine, Goat, Sheep, Beef, Dairy**
- **\$1.00 per Poultry, Rabbits, Cavies, Pocket Pets**

Code of Conduct Form

EVERYONE must fill out this form-to be turned in with paper exhibitor entry form. ShoWorks will have you fill one out.

LIVESTOCK LIABILITY

ALL Livestock Class Exhibitors will Need To Provide A Copy Of A 1 Million Dollar Liability Insurance Listing CCAIS, 720 Fair Street, Marshall, MI 49068 As A Certificate Holder.

Livestock Exhibitor Liability Insurance

ALL livestock exhibitors will need to provide a copy of a 1 million dollar liability insurance listing CCAIS, 720 Fair Street, Marshall, MI 49068 as a certificate holder. The liability form **MUST** be provided on or before **June 12th, 2026** in order to be eligible to show.

2026 Fair Week Camping

If you would like to camp during our 2026 Fair week, please contact the office to be added to our wait-list and to check eligibility. (269) 781-8161 CCAISOffice@gmail.com

Golf Cart/ATV/Off Road Vehicles

Please contact the Fairground's office for more information and eligibility. (269) 781-8161 or CCAISOffice@gmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES

Exhibitor forms and payments/ShoWorks Entries: **June 12, 2026**

Camping forms: May 2, 2026

Club Rosters: April 15, 2026 (final rosters)

Youth Participation Forms:

Eligibility forms must be received at least two weeks prior to the project start date, or by May 1st, whichever is earlier.

Code of Conduct: June 12, 2026

Weigh-Ins *:

Beef/Dairy Beef – March 21, 2026

Sheep – May 2, 2026

Dairy Starter – May 2, 2026

* Please reach out to Species superintendents to confirm times or any other information needed.

- All entries must have been made or prepared by the exhibitor and completed since last year's fair.

These fees must accompany an entry form to the Fairgrounds Office (or online) by 5:00pm June 12, 2026 -- NO Exceptions!

*****The CCAIS Board or its designee reserves the right to withdraw all, or pay in part, premiums offered within each department.**

For a complete set of 2026 Animal Health Requirements from the Michigan Department of Agriculture please visit their website at:

https://www.michigan.gov/mdard/-/media/Project/Websites/mdard/documents/animals/exhibitions/2026_fairs_and_exhibitions_requirements.pdf?rev=4fb2cacad91d8412983e00e4ec70d0818&hash=861352492D25BD8921C682198FD55DC8

ENTRY DEADLINES: (ALL LIVESTOCK ENTRIES ARE MANDATORY ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY)

- ⇒ DNA Submissions & Species-Specific Paperwork:
 - ⇒ Swine/Sheep/Goats: Due by May 15th, 2026
 - ⇒ Rabbit/Poultry (tattoo, cages, etc.): Due by July 19th, 2026
- ⇒ Online Entries:
 - ⇒ **Due by June 12, 2026**
- ⇒ Spring Weigh-ins:
 - ⇒ Beef and Dairy Beef—March 21st, 2026 from 8:30am-12:00pm at the Fairgrounds.
 - ⇒ Dairy Starter—May 2nd, 2026 from 8:00am-12:00am at the Fairgrounds.
 - ⇒ Sheep—May 2nd, 2026 from 8:00am-12:00am at the Fairgrounds.

All other entries are due **FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2026 by 5:00pm** at Fair Office. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

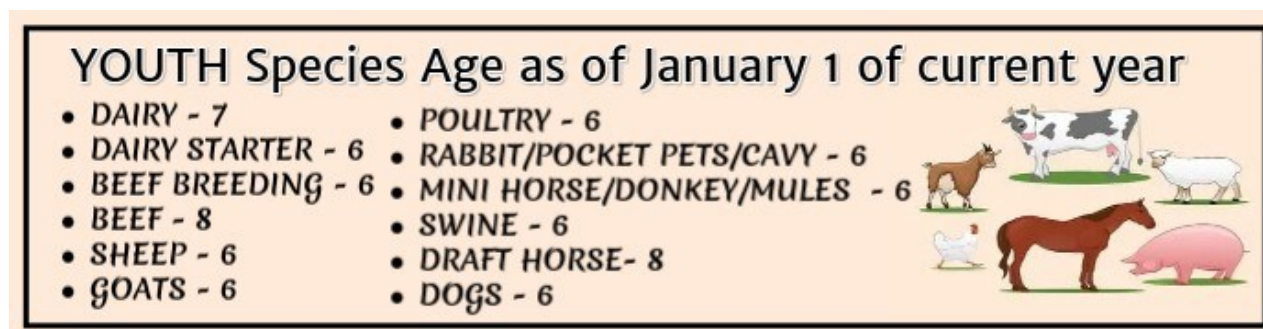
Entry Cost is as listed on Entry Form available at the fair office.

Season Ticket Costs are separate from entry costs. Please contact the Fair Office with questions or concerns.

Contact your superintendent with specific questions regarding start times for exhibit removal. Also see CCAIS Article 5 – Livestock below

CCAIS Fair Office will make premium checks available to exhibitors as soon as they are ready (typically Saturday of the fair). Listen for announcements regarding their availability.

Fair



Article 3 – Protest Procedures

- Rules for Filing Protests:
- All exhibitor protests must be submitted to the Fairgrounds Office in writing within ten (10) days from the last day of the fair. Written protests must include the following:
 - Exhibitor name and address
 - Date of protest
 - Time of incident protested
 - What the protest consists of
 - Must have names of people involved
- Protest forms must be accompanied by a \$100 complaint fee, which will be refunded to the filer if the exhibitor is found guilty of the violation.
- Protest forms must be signed by three adults,
- The CCAIS Board has ten (10) days to answer a protest. Findings will be issued in writing.
- The CCAIS Board can request ten (10) more days to answer protest if time is needed to get all pertinent information. At the end of that time the CCAIS Board will issue a notice of findings in writing to the exhibitor.
- The exhibitor has forty-five (45) days from the date the protest is received in the Fairgrounds Office to file an appeal with the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDARD), if they are not satisfied with the findings of the CCAIS Board.
- MDARD has sixty (60) days to investigate the appeal and issue a report of findings.
- All protests must be filed in the order as stated

Article 4 – Conduct Policies

Conduct Rules for All Participants

- All participants are to be on their best behavior and must observe all CCAIS rules. Any adult should stop any unsafe practice observed on the fairgrounds.
- Any adult or youth participant under the influence of alcohol or drugs or being disruptive, will be escorted from the property and their exhibits may be removed. The proper authorities will be notified. Minors will be turned over to the proper authorities. Premiums will be forfeited in all such cases.
- Quiet hours will be observed between midnight and 6:00am. Excessive noise and rowdiness will not be tolerated.
- *Violations of Good Fair Conduct*
 - If it is determined that a Fair rule(s) has been violated, and/or fraud and/or deception has occurred in association with exhibiting in the Fair classes, any or all of the following actions may be taken at the discretion of the CCAIS Board or its designee. This applies to exhibitors AND parents/guardians if the
 - exhibitor is under 18, as well as anyone staying in any of the camping areas.
 - The exhibit in question may be disqualified.
 - ALL OTHER exhibits of the exhibitor may be disqualified.
 - ALL premiums, trophies, and/or awards, won by said exhibitor in ALL classes, may be withdrawn.
 - Exhibitor may be suspended from exhibiting at the Fair for the current year and for the following year at minimum. Maximum suspension could be for the remaining years as a youth exhibitor with time and decision determined by the CCAIS Board or its designee.
 - Exhibitor may be required to remove ALL exhibits from the Fairgrounds immediately.

Article 5 – Livestock

ALL LIVESTOCK:

1. Suitable stalls and pens will be furnished for livestock and each exhibitor will be required to care for, feed, and water their own animals.
2. All animals must be bedded on wood shavings or similar wood byproduct (no straw will be allowed). Milking dairy cattle will be the only exception to this rule, as they may be bedded on straw.
3. **An entry fee of \$10.00 plus \$3.00 per animal for large animals (dairy, beef, swine, sheep, goat and horse) and \$1.00 for small animals (rabbit, cavy & poultry) must be paid to the fair office by the specific deadlines laid out in the beginning of the rules and regulations.**
4. **ALL livestock exhibitors will need to provide a copy of a 1 million dollar liability insurance listing CCAIS, 720 Fair Street, Marshall, MI 49068 as a certificate holder. The liability form MUST be provided on or before June 13th, 2026 in order to be eligible to show.**
5. No animals will be allowed on the grounds without entry forms and approval of the department Superintendent.
6. Animals occupying stalls or pens must be duly entered upon the entry books of the division and shown in competition when called by the judges or be charged \$1.00 per day for the time the stall or pen is occupied.
7. Grooms and attendants must be neatly and cleanly dressed and must put the stalls, pens and floors in a neat and tidy condition by 9:00am each day.
8. An exhibitor may not receive more than one award in group classes of three or more, except in Get of Sire and Jr. Get of Sire groups where an exhibitor may receive two awards if the groups are sired by different sires and the sires must be named; and not more than two monies in any other class.
9. Youth under the age of 6 years old cannot show livestock unless it is a small animal (rabbit/cavy/pocket pet/poultry). They cannot lead livestock into the show ring unless a parent or legal guardian is there to help on the lead line. They cannot show with older exhibitors.
10. The Fair will have security officers and police on duty day and night, but the Fair will not be held responsible for loss or accident.
11. There will be NO water tanks on the Fairgrounds during the Fair. All watering must be done with pails and tubs and must be emptied after watering.
12. **The Livestock Committee has the right to send home any animal that is not well cared for or not healthy and the exhibitor will forfeit premium & entry fees.**
13. Animals must have the appropriate health document and tags per species. If you have questions contact the Superintendent.
14. Animals are only allowed to be exercised in designated areas. See Superintendent for details.
15. You may not enter the same horses in farm and hitch classes with the exception of 3 and 4 horse hitches.
16. No animals allowed with horns unless specified by species and breed.
17. Some male species are not allowed at fair. Contact the superintendent for questions.
18. Animals comprising a herd may compete for individual premiums.
19. All livestock and non-livestock exhibits must stay until 6:00am on the Sunday after Fair 2026. Exceptions can be made only with the approval of the Superintendents and/or CCAIS Board or you will forfeit premiums and you may not show for 3 years.
20. The age of the animal will comply with national rule of the species.
21. All stalls and pens must be cleaned before exhibitor may leave the fairgrounds on Sunday.
22. All animals are subject to examination by a veterinarian at the request of the Superintendent, and; if in their opinion, the presence of these animals is a hazard to other animals or people on the Fairgrounds, the owner must remove such exhibits at once or such exhibits will be removed at the owner's expense
23. Exhibitor must show their own animal in Showmanship
24. Showmanship and market records and/or interviews are mandatory for all exhibitors showing market animals
25. Exhibitors may only cross in front of the auctioneer once for large animal and once for small animal, unless they place grand/reserve
26. Animal must be accompanied in the sale ring by exhibitor, but can be assisted by Superintendent, family member, or legal guardian.
27. Grand and Reserve Champions must sell.

LIVESTOCK POLICIES SPECIFIC TO YOUTH (CLUB):

1. Youth member animal exhibit stalls and pens shall have been cleaned and bedded and animals cleaned by 9:00am each day. All exhibit areas and animals must be kept in a neat and tidy condition during exhibit hours. The Superintendent may request any exhibitor failing to keep their stalls in a clean and tidy condition to remove their animals from exhibit.
2. An adequate amount of feed and bedding must be supplied by each exhibitor.
3. Market animals going to slaughter will be loaded starting at 12:15am Sunday after Fair 2026. Market livestock will be released at 6:00am Sunday after Fair 2026. Youth Horses and other Youth Livestock exhibits will be released at 6:00am Sunday. General Market projects are released to buyer at time of sale. Market flyers and records are released Sunday after Fair 2026, from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Non-livestock exhibits will be released and picked up between the hours of 9:00am and 2:00pm on Sunday, after fair 2026. Any exceptions will be made only on written permission from the Superintendent presented to the CCAIS General Manager. Members unable to pick up exhibits at this time must make arrangements for someone else to pick up the exhibits. Exhibits removed prior to release time without permission will forfeit premium.
4. An educational exhibit means a poster, an article or an item having to do with the project entered for public display at a Fair or Show and judged in competition.
5. Only youth residing in Calhoun County are eligible to exhibit in the youth section. Youth age 6-21 whom reside outside of Calhoun County and wish to exhibit at the Calhoun County Fair in the youth department may petition the **Livestock Committee** by filling out the appropriate form and turn it into the fair office at least two weeks before the project start date or by **May 1st, whichever is earlier**. All decisions are made by the livestock committee/CCAIS board are final. Youth only need to petition once.
6. Youth exhibitors will not be allowed to exhibit the same project or livestock species which has been exhibited at another county fair during the current year.
7. Youth exhibitors who show or have shown at another county fair coming to show at Calhoun County will not be able to participate in the youth livestock auction, as well as, champion market classes for two years. Exhibitors who have aged out of their county fair are not eligible to participate at Calhoun County Fair.
8. Youth members who reside in another county whom have never participated at another county fair are allowed to participate at the Calhoun County for the current fair season. Youth members who reside in another county whom have shown at Calhoun County the previous year may continue to show.
9. Youth clubs must submit a member roster with the species shown to the **livestock committee** prior to their weigh in/entry date. With new members indicated, proof of birthdate and residency may be requested.
10. We acknowledge and accept that all animals entered at the County Fair may be subject to blood, urine, and tissue tests, and that the fair reserves the right to disqualify any animals either live or slaughtered, if found in violation of the use of drugs, chemicals, or feed additives as described above and in the County Fair Book and policy brochure. Disqualification will result in the placing(s) of the animal in question being voided; the forfeiture of any ribbons/trophies/special awards earned with the animal(s); voiding of the sale(s) if the animal has been sold in the Youth Livestock Sale. We will allow the designated tester/veterinarian to draw any and all samples deemed appropriate from our animals. We will indemnify and hold harmless the fair and all of its sponsors and assisting organizations and their employees and agents, against all legal proceedings in connection with said testing procedures.
11. Ethical and humane treatment of animals: We acknowledge that inhumane fitting, showing, and/or handling practices or devices shall not be used. Furthermore, surgery, injection, or application of foreign material under and/or into the flesh of an animal to physiologically or physically change the natural contour or conformation of the animal is illegal. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, insertion of foreign material in the animal, or other such practices are not acceptable and will be prohibited. Violation of the above-mentioned items could result in the disqualification of the animal or exhibitor. We acknowledge and accept the fact that the Department Chairperson for a given animal species and/or the **Livestock Committee** may authorize the examination of a given animal for the identification purposes and/or health related concerns in our absence, including obtaining the temperature of the animal in question. In non-emergency situations, the fair personnel will give notice to the exhibitor and allow them a reasonable amount of time to make themselves available.

CCAIS HOMEGROWN POLICY:

This policy and wording is applicable to all livestock species that have homegrown divisions to offer consistency and fairness to all participants. All species shown at the Calhoun County Fair must follow the homegrown guidelines set forth in the fair book. Homegrown must be declared at weigh in. Please contact the fair office for the Livestock Committee's contact information if you have any questions about the policy or the wording.

- Policy: Homegrown animals will be defined as an animal born on the participant's immediate family's owned and operated farm in which the participant has an active part for the duration of the project, or participant owned the dam of these animals at the time of conception.
- Definition of Immediate Family: participant's parent, participant's grandparent, participant's sibling.
- Consequence: The participant forfeits the current year's awards, premiums, and auction rights, as well as, for two additional years with that species.

Youth Livestock Grand and Reserve Policy:

Grand and Reserve requirements according to the species requirements in the fair book with the species superintendent approval.

Beef – Grand/Reserve Market, Grand/Reserve Homegrown | **Dairy Beef** – Grand/Reserve Market | **Dairy Starter** – Grand/Reserve Market | **Goat** – Grand/Reserve Meat Market, Grand/Reserve Dairy Market, Grand/Reserve Meat Homegrown, Grand/Reserve Dairy Homegrown | **Poultry** – Grand/Reserve Cornish, Grand/Reserve Roaster, Grand/Reserve Broiler, Grand/Reserve Market Hen, Grand/Reserve Market Tom, Grand/Reserve Market Duck, Grand/Reserve Geese | **Rabbit** – Grand/Reserve Pen, Grand/Reserve Roaster, Grand/Reserve Fryer | **Sheep** – Grand/Reserve Pen, Grand/Reserve Individual | **Swine** – Grand/Reserve Gilt, Grand/Reserve Barrow, Grand/Reserve Purebred, Grand/Reserve Homegrown

YOUTH AUCTION INFORMATION:

All recognized youth organizations that have registered with the fair office by **March 1, 2026**, will be allowed to sell at the appropriate species auction.

All participants must follow the bylaws of the respective sales committee. Youth can sell one specie in each auction. Grand and Reserve Champions **MUST** sell.

Please see Department Superintendent and/or Auction Committee Guidelines for more specific auction information.

Article 6 - Judges

A premium will not be awarded when the article or animal entered is not worthy, even if there is no competition.

No person shall be allowed to take the premium on any animal or article in more than one class except in herd. Applicants for premiums shall furnish written statements relative to the article exhibited and shall prepare to furnish satisfactory evidence sustaining them.

All reports of viewing committees shall be in writing signed by members of the committee assenting thereto; and it is desired that each committee shall, as far as possible, give reasons for their decision, and the premiums shall be conferred on the award of the majority of any such committee.

Only first money will be paid to an exhibitor in group classes where there is no competition.

Absolutely no dogs or cats allowed on Fairgrounds (except police K9s or those being exhibited).

Article 7 - Permits and Privileges

All communications regarding or making applications for space or privileges should be addressed to the Fairgrounds Office. Definite space will be leased to each applicant upon contract specifying size and location and use to be made of the same.

No change of position will be allowed without the consent of the Superintendent in charge. Each lessee shall occupy his premises and no more. Nopeddling about the grounds will be allowed. No auctioneering or other unnecessary noises will be permitted.

No imposition, fraud, or deceit shall be practiced in the selling of goods.

All buildings, booths, and tents erected must be clean and present a good appearance, and the grounds surrounding shall be neat and tidy. All tenants must deposit all garbage and refuse in receptacles provided for the purpose, so they can be removed each day.

The CCAIS Board or its designee reserves the right to close any stand or booth, or to terminate any privilege held or used in violation of the rules. All "exclusive contracts" must be respected.

All reasonable precautions will be taken for the protection of exhibits. CCAIS does not carry insurance on exhibits. Owners may insure their exhibits before bringing them to the Fair. The Calhoun County Fair and CCAIS Board will not be responsible for loss, damage, injury, or accident to any person,

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Absolutely no soliciting on grounds.

Article 8 - Electric Current

A licensed electrician will be on the grounds Fair Week to make all necessary hookups for concessions.

A charge will be made for each hookup, same to be paid by owner of concessions to Fairgrounds Office. Current amp charge will be collected.

Article 9 - Open Horse Stalls

Superintendent of Open Horses, Amy Cobb, will assign all open class horse stalls.

Reservations will be taken beginning the first Sunday in May at 8:00am by calling 269-275-5005.

Article 10 - Exhibitor Parking

There will be NO PARKING behind livestock barns at any time. Livestock trailers must park in field behind the racehorse barns or be taken home. Only ONE CAR per lot in camping area. Other cars and trailer camper parking in designated areas only.

Entries must be received by FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2026, for Youth and Open Class Divisions by 5:00pm. No Exceptions!

Article 11 – General Instructions for Exhibitors

Exhibitors should examine the following in order to thoroughly understand the way the fair and entries are conducted and to prevent mistakes or

misunderstandings which might otherwise occur.

The accuracy of entries is the responsibility of the exhibitor. Do not depend on the Fairgrounds Office staff to interpret your entries. Study the rules and the fairbook and know what department, class and lot under which your exhibits should be entered. If in doubt, contact the Superintendent for that department.

Be sure that your correct name, address, zip code, telephone number, and last 4 digits of social security number are on the entry form. Last 4 digits of social security number are REQUIRED by the State and your form WILL NOT be accepted without it.

All SSN's and other information will be kept private and confidential.

You must have an entry tag for each article you wish to place in competition.

A premium card or ribbon placed on an animal or article is no guarantee of award. The Fairgrounds Office must be governed strictly by the records on the Judge's sheets. Every effort will be made to contact the Superintendent and Judge to fix any problems as they arise.

It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to execute the orders they receive from the CCAIS Board or its designee and carefully watch and guard against the infringement of the rules and regulations.

All projects must be owned and/or created by the exhibitor in that project year. Superintendents shall preserve order and decorum throughout the buildings.

All exhibits must be brought in between 9:00am on Saturday before Fair, 2026, and 8:00pm on Sunday, August 23, 2026, 2026. Please check with project area superintendents for exact time.

Any protest on awards... see rules for filing a protest.

The CCAIS Board or its designee reserves the right to prorate the amount of the premiums in each department if sufficient funds are not available. No smoking in any building on the fairgrounds. All open premiums over \$600.00 will receive W9 to complete.

Article 12 – Food Inspection Regulations

All food vendors are required to be successfully inspected by the Calhoun County Health Department before being allowed to sell any items. The Calhoun County Health Department will provide the Fairgrounds Office with a full report. Vendors not passing an inspection and not able to make corrections to resolve the issue(s), will be removed from the fairgrounds and forfeit their vendor fees.

Article 13 – Fair Week Camping Rules

1. All Campsites are assigned by the Fair office and must be in the name of the person staying. You may not sub-lease your campsite.
2. Campers must have a **campground permit**. Campers must check in at the Fair office prior to entering your assigned campsite to get your camping permit and to check in. The permit must be displayed and visible near your entrance door.
3. Livestock trailers are not permitted in camping areas unless they have living quarters and will be lived in during the Fair- this includes Warren Street if space is not available.
4. Your camper and personal property must remain within the boundaries of your campsite. Campers must be parked within the lines. Campers may not be parked in a circle or “U” shape (per local police and fire).
5. Be considerate of others while disposing of garbage and dispose of it properly. **Keep your campsite clean.** If the campsite is littered or left in unsatisfactory condition, the deposit will not carry over or be refunded. The CCAIS Board or designee will make that determination. No trash or swimming pools. No open fires permitted. Dumpster is located by sheep Barn.
6. No refunds will be issued if the camper chooses to leave early.
7. **ONLY** Campsite deposits may be refunded upon satisfactory clean-up of your campsite or carried over to reserve your site for the next year.
8. Electricity is available on a first come, first served basis. Air conditioners are not to be powered with Fairgrounds electricity if issues arise. Generators must be shut down during quiet hours between midnight and 6am. Each campsite will be allowed one electrical cord to be connected to Fairgrounds electricity. The only cord you are allowed to connect or disconnect is your own cord. If it isn't your cord and it is causing a problem, contact the CCAIS Board or designee.
9. All rented campsites must have a camper or tent on them for the entire week. No campsites shall be used solely for parking.
10. Campers and guests must obey all rules in this agreement, and must also obey all local, state, and federal laws.
11. Anyone 17 years of age or younger must be accompanied by a responsible adult or legal guardian while in the campground.
12. A maximum of ten people may remain overnight (during quiet hours) at each campsite. The number of people at your site must be stated on this form.
13. **Quiet hours are midnight to 6am. Generators, excessive noise, and rowdiness will not be tolerated during this time. Individuals will be asked to return to their campers after midnight.**
14. Campers are allowed to come in on Wednesday, August 12, 2026, after 8 AM. All campsites must be vacated within two days of the end of the Fair, or they will be charged \$50 per day.
15. There shall be no illegal substances consumed while at the Fairgrounds. Law enforcement will be called to handle any issues. Alcoholic beverages must be stored in a secure area and consumed at your campsite.
16. **NO DOGS ALLOWED!** The CCAIS Board or designee will request the dog leave in property if seen or reported. Failure to do so will result in the forfeiture of your campsite.
17. Please report any incidents to the Fair office or the Sheriff (if a serious situation).
18. Camping is limited to Exhibitors, Livestock Superintendents, Fair Personnel, and Vendors at the discretion of the manager and Fair board.
19. Do not dump gray water.
20. ***Car pass issued to park in campground does NOT gain entry into the Fairgrounds.***

The CCAIS Board or designee reserves the right to remove any campers, without refund, if it is in the best interest of the Fair and the Fairgrounds.

2026 Fair Week Camping Rates

- Main Campground, Infield (IF), Racehorse Barn (RH), & Warren Street (WS) (w/ Electricity) – NEW CAMPER-\$275 (includes \$50 rolling deposit)
- Warren Street (WS) (NO Electricity) Campground – NEW CAMPER-\$140 (includes \$20 rolling deposit)

Any questions, issues, or concerns should be brought to the attention of the CCAIS Board or designee. Fair Week Camping Superintendent contact information will be distributed to registered campers at the time of campground permit pick-up.

DEPARTMENT 1 OPEN DAIRY & DEPARTMENT 2 YOUTH/4-H DAIRY

Beth Letts
Superintendent
269-317-3999

DRY CATTLE ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair from 4:00pm-9:00pm

MILKING CATTLE ARRIVAL: Sunday of Fair from 4:00pm-9:00pm

OPEN & YOUTH DAIRY JUDGING: Monday of Fair beginning at 8:30am

DAIRY SCIENCE EXHIBIT JUDGING: Monday of Fair time TBD

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds beginning Sunday after Fair at 6:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

1. Owners Must provide RFID Tag and animal must have proper identification tag upon arrival.

2. Youth under the age of 6 years old cannot show livestock as an individual. They cannot lead livestock into the show ring unless a parent or legal guardian is there to help on the lead line. They cannot show with older exhibitors.

3. The age of cattle will conform to the new national rules now used by all fairs and exhibits. The premium list gives the dates for computing all ages.

4. Three best females - All three must be bred and owned by the same exhibitor. (Exhibitor means any individual or any family operating as a unit).

5. Produce of Dam - Two offspring, any age, either sex, from the same dam. May be owned by more than one exhibitor.

6. Dairy Herd - Group of four cows that have freshened. All must be owned by exhibitor.

7. Animals comprising a herd may compete for individual premiums.

8. Only one premium will be paid for any one animal except where shown in group.

9. Any protest on awards - see rules for filing a protest in the front of the Fair Book.

10. Cattle must be purebred, if any questions contact superintendent who will have the final determination.

11. Bulls are not to be shown in the Dairy Show.

12. Cattle exhibitors are instructed that their exhibits should not be trucked or shipped to the Calhoun County Fair, unless entries have been accepted and space allowed by the

13. If livestock are not healthy and/or well cared for when brought to the Fair, the CCAIS Board or designee have the authority to send them home and you will forfeit entry fees and any premiums.

14. Clipping chutes are not to be in the barn without permission of the Superintendent.

15. All cattle should be vaccinated for shipping.

16. All dairy cattle in milk will be released to go home Monday after they have been judged.

17. All out-of-state livestock MUST have official certificate of "Veterinary Inspection Health Certificate" issued by an accredited veterinarian. Details of State Livestock Rules are available at the Fair Office.

18. All stalls MUST be cleaned before exhibitor vacates the fairgrounds.

19. Youth Specific Rules:

a. First Year Youth Exhibitors are limited to not more than 3 animals.

b. Advanced youth dairy exhibitors may show any number of dairy animals.

c. Exhibitors are allowed to exhibit 2 animals in one Class.

d. No animals with horns may be exhibited in Youth Classes except Junior Heifer Calf.

e. NO BULLS MAY BE SHOWN IN THIS DEPARTMENT

f. Milk Production: - animal and production records of at least 10 months during past year must be on display in the designated area during the week of the Fair. Production to be announced at ring side. Figures to be based on DHIA or Owner-Sampler records. Award for 1st place in each production age based on total value of product. All breeds will compete together for these awards.

g. Dairy Science Exhibit shall consist of three-dimensional exhibit with articles relating to feeding, production or processing of dairy products.

PREMIUMS (Department 1 Divisions 1-7):

1st - \$10.00, 2nd - \$8.00, 3rd - \$4.00, 4th - \$3.00, 5th - \$1.00

PREMIUMS (Department 2 Divisions 1-7):

A - \$8.00, B - \$6.00, C - \$4.00

PREMIUMS (Department 2 Division 8):

A - \$4.00, B - \$3.00, C - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Department 2 Division 9):

1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

DEPARTMENT 1 - OPEN DAIRY

DIVISION 1 - HOLSTEIN

DIVISION 2 - GUERNSEY

DIVISION 3 - JERSEY

DIVISION 4 - BROWN SWISS

DIVISION 5 - AYRSHIRE

DIVISION 6 - MILKING SHORTHORN

DIVISION 7 - RED & WHITE

01. Spring Heifer Calf (3/1/26 or after and is over four months of age)

02. Winter Heifer Calf (12/1/25-2/28/26)

03. Fall Heifer Calf (9/1/25-11/30/25)

04. Summer Yearling Heifer (6/1/25-8/31/25)

05. Spring Yearling Heifer (3/1/25-5/31/25)

06. Winter Yearling Heifer (12/1/24-2/28/25)

7. Fall Yearling Heifer (9/1/24-11/30/24)
Junior Champion Female - \$5.00 and Rosette

Reserve Junior Champion - Rosette

08. Junior Three Best Females

09. Two Year Old Cow (9/1/23-2/29/24)

10. Three Year Old Cow (9/1/22-2/29/23)

11. Four Year Old Cow (9/1/21-8/31/22)

12. Five Year Old Cow and Older (Before 9/1/21)

13. 3-4 Year Old Dry Cow (9/1/21-2/29/23)

14. Five Year Dry Cow (Before 9/1/21)

Senior Champion Female - \$5.00 and Rosette

Reserve Senior Champion Female - Rosette

Grand Champion Female - Rosette

Reserve Grand Champion Female - Rosette

15. Senior Three Best Females

16. Produce of Dam

17. Dam and Daughter

18. Dairy Herd

DIVISION 8

BEST UDDER DAIRY COWS

20. Best Udder Dairy Cows (Calhoun County Exhibitors Only)

DEPARTMENT 2 - YOUTH DAIRY

DIVISION 1 - HOLSTEIN

DIVISION 2 - GUERNSEY

DIVISION 3 - JERSEY

DIVISION 4 - BROWN SWISS

DIVISION 5 - AYRSHIRE

DIVISION 6 - MILKING SHORTHORN

DIVISION 7 - RED & WHITE

1100. Spring Heifer Calf (3/1/26 or after and is over four months of age)

1101. Winter Heifer Calf (12/1/25-2/28/26)

1102. Fall Heifer Calf (9/1/25-11/30/25)

1103. Summer Yearling Heifer (6/1/25-8/31/25)

1104. Spring Yearling Heifer (3/1/25-5/31/25)

1105. Winter Yearling Heifer (12/1/24-2/28/25)

1106. Fall Yearling Heifer (9/1/24-11/30/24)

Junior Champion Female - Rosette

Reserve Junior Champion - Rosette

1107. Two Year Old Cow (9/1/23-2/29/24)

1108. Three Year Old Cow (9/1/22-2/29/23)

1109. Four Year Old Cow (9/1/22-8/31/23) - Four Year Old Cow (9/1/21-8/31/22)

1110. Five Year Old Cow and Older (Before 9/1/21)

1111. 3-4 Year Old Dry Cow (9/1/21-2/29/23)

1112. Five Year Dry Cow (Before 9/1/21)

Senior Champion Female - Rosette

Reserve Senior Champion Female - Rosette

Grand Champion Female - Rosette

Reserve Grand Champion Female - Rosette

1113. Three Best Females

1114. Produce of Dam

1115. Dam and Daughter

Supreme Champion All Breeds - Award

Jr Supreme Champion All Breeds - Award

Reserve Supreme Ch All Breeds - Rosette

Reserve Jr Supreme Ch All Breeds - Rosette

DIVISION 8

DAIRY SCIENCE EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

1117. Dairy Science

DIVISION 9

SHOWMANSHIP

Awards in each age division for 1st and 2nd places, medals to 3rd-7th places

1118. Beginner 7

1119. Junior 8-11

1120. Intermediate 12-15

1121. Senior 16-21

DEPARTMENT 3 YOUTH/4-H DAIRY STARTER

Rebecca Fry
Superintendent
(517) 812-3989

Makayla Vanklompberg
Co-Superintendent

MANDATORY SPRING WEIGH-IN: May 2nd
8:00am-11:00am at the Fairgrounds (may weigh
in 3 calves, but can only exhibit 2 calves)

DAIRY STARTER CALF ARRIVAL: Saturday before
Fair from 4:00pm-7:00pm

DAIRY STARTER CALF WEIGH-IN: Saturday be-
fore fair at 7:00pm

DAIRY STARTER CALF VERBAL FEED RECORDS:
Sunday of Fair time TBD

**EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT & PHOTOGRAPHY JUDG-
ING:** Sunday of Fair —TBD

DAIRY STARTER CALF SHOW: Monday of Fair at
10:00 AM or 1 hour after the completion of the
dairy show.

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from
the fairgrounds beginning Sunday after Fair at
6:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a
signed Early Release Form (available online or at
the Fairgrounds Office).

1. All Youth must adhere to the by-laws of their
respective club.
2. All exhibitors must follow Superintendents Barn
Rules.
3. Thank You Notes for prizes, trophies, and buy-
ers must be written and turned in by Saturday at
noon of fair week to the administrative leader of
the club, in which each youth is exhibiting. The
administrative leader would then then provide to
the superintendent.
4. A dairy starter calf is an immature bovine ani-
mal of a dairy breed. (Holstein, Brown Swiss,
Jersey, Dutch Belt, Ayrshires, and Guernsey) that
has been raised on a diet of milk, milk replacer,
grains, and/or roughage. The calf must be
weaned by the time of the fair.
5. Dairy starter calf must be 100% dairy breed
bloodline. All calves must pass the approval of
superintendent to be allowed to weigh-in at the
spring weigh-in.
6. Calves must weigh between 100-300 lbs. at the
spring weigh-in. All starter calves must be
weighed and tagged at the spring weigh-in held at
the fairgrounds. No home weigh-ins. Exhibitors
can bring and show 2 calves in market class and
only sell one calf through the livestock auction
ring. The exhibitor can have the other calf sold
through the support auction on Monday night or
taken home by owner on Sunday at release. You

- will choose one calf to show for showmanship.
Calves that do not make the MINIMUM weight are
eligible for a re-weigh one week later. THE SEC-
OND WEIGH-IN IS ONLY A RE-WEIGH. ALL EXHIB-
ITORS MUST ATTEND THE PREVIOUS WEIGH-IN.
Maximum number of calves is 2 per exhibitor.
7. All exhibitors in the dairy starter calf project are
required to do verbal interviews on Sunday of
Fair. All exhibitors must participate in verbal inter-
views to be eligible to participate in the show. All
exhibitors must participate in showmanship to
exhibit in market class, exhibitors also need to
participate in verbal interviews, showmanship and
market to be eligible to sell in the auction.
 8. All calves must be completely dehorned and
healed to be exhibited. Any calves with signs of
horns may show only in showmanship and will not
be sold at the auction. Calves with signs of re-
growth must be less than 2" (Superintendent and
Livestock Committee to make final determination).
 9. All starter calves must be male and be banded
or castrated by the May weigh-in to cross the
scales. No clamping allowed.
 10. Starter calves are to be steers, no heifers,
bulls or stags allowed.
 11. All starter calves must participate at mandato-
ry weighing and tagging with a minimum average
daily gain requirement of 1.5 pounds per day to
be sold. Exhibitor will be notified and animals that
don't make minimum average daily gain will be re-
tagged with a different color tag and will not be
able to sell at fair. Growth implants are allowed.
- The final weigh-in for starter calves will be held
on Saturday before fair at 7:00pm.** Calves will be
shown by weight-classification with the weight
schedule being decided after calves are weighed
on Saturday. Classes are decided by the Superin-
tendent. Starter calves cannot weigh more than
750 lbs.
12. Starter calves are to be exhibited like a beef
animal, with a show stick.
 13. All calves must have a RFID electronic ear tag.
This must be on the animal before they are al-
lowed to be weighed at the mandatory weigh-in in
May.
 14. All calves must be vaccinated against IBR,
P13, BVD and shipping fever. Proper documenta-
tion must be provided at the request of the super-
intendent.
 15. All calves must be vaccinated with Inforce3
vaccine. The Inforce3 needs to be administered
approx. 14 days before arrival at the fairgrounds.
Proof of vaccine will be required to be shown to
superintendent.
 16. If an exhibitor cannot handle his/her steer they
will be disqualified from the show and sale and
required to remove the animal from the fair-
grounds.
 17. If the exhibitor cannot show his/her animal
due to personal medical issue he/she will not be
eligible for showmanship competition but is re-
quired to be in the show arena during their class.
A showman can be substituted for the market
class. All of this must be with prior approval by

the Superintendent.

18. Grand Champion and Reserve Champion must
sell at the auction. If you choose not to
sell your calf you must notify the superintendent
by 1 hour after the conclusion of the show.
If exhibiting more than one calf must let the su-
perintendent know by 1 hour after the show
where the 2nd calf is going to support or home.

18a. An exhibitor may own more than one
animal in the final drive; however, if the exhibi-
tor's animal is chosen for any placing in the
final drive, their second animal must withdraw
from the competition, and the second place
from the class will take its place.

19. Morning chores must be completed by 9:00am
every day. This includes clean stalls, animals
cleaned, fed and watered. Bedding must be com-
pletely removed Wednesday morning down to the
dirt and re-bedded. All animals must be presenta-
ble and kept that way throughout the day, every
day. Evening chores must be done by 7:00pm
every day.

20. All calves will be bedded on sawdust or wood
shavings. No straw will be allowed.

21. All calves must have a halter and neck collar at
all times while in the barn.

22. All exhibitors are required to provide enough
gates for their animals. Grouping for animals will
be arranged by clubs at the discretion of the Su-
perintendent. MAXIMUM of 3 CALVES BETWEEN
GATES. Gate specs. Available from the Club Lead-
er or Superintendent.

23. Every exhibitor will be on barn duty on Satur-
day, Monday during the show and during the auc-
tion Thursday. A Barn duty schedule will be set
up by the superintendent and shifts will be based
on the number of exhibitors and 12 hr. days.
Shifts will be equal. Note: this is total barn inside
and out as well as wash rack.

24. All clubs must work together to keep the barn
presentable at all times, including barn duty.
i.e. front and back of barn and wash rack as well.
All clubs need to help and work together on pre
and post fair events, barn cleanup, setup, weigh
in, show and auction setup and take down, just as
a few examples.

25. All exhibitors are to have their pens cleaned
and bedding pulled back from the wall by 8:00am
Sunday.

26. Youth are recommended to dress in appropri-
ate show attire.

PREMIUMS (Divisions 1-2):

1st - \$4.00, 2nd - \$3.00, 3rd - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Division 3):

1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th -
\$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

PREMIUMS (Division 4):

1st - \$8.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$4.00

DIVISION 1

MANAGEMENT RECORDS

Rosette for Best of Class each class

Plaque for Outstanding Exhibit Division 1

- 1200. Beginner 6-7
- 1201. Junior 8-11
- 1202. Intermediate 12-15
- 1203. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 2

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

*Rosette for Best of Class each class
Plaque for Outstanding Exhibit Division 2*

- 1205. Beginner 6-7
- 1206. Junior 8-11
- 1207. Intermediate 12-15
- 1208. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 3

SHOWMANSHIP

*Award to 1st place each class
Medals to 2nd-3rd place each class*

- 1215. Beginner 6-7
- 1216. Junior 8-11
- 1217. Intermediate 12-15
- 1218. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 4

DAIRY STARTER CALF

*Award to 1st place each weight class
Rosette to 2nd-3rd place each weight class
Awards for Grand and Reserve Champion*

- 1219. Dairy Starter Calf

DIVISION 5

RATE OF GAIN

Award Rosette

- 1220. Dairy Stater

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds beginning Sunday after fair at 6:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

Rules Pertaining to All Beef Breeding Cattle (Open & Youth)

1. Announcements for the barn will be made on our Facebook page Calhoun County Beef Breeding.
2. **You or your club leader must contact the Beef Breeding Superintendent for stalling space in the barn by August 1st under rule # 18. Text (269) 419-0344 so we can finalize awards.** Stalling assignments will be posted in barn the week before fair, set up will be Wednesday and Thursday evening.
3. Cattle exhibitors are instructed that their exhibits should not be trucked or shipped to the Calhoun County Fair, unless entries have been accepted and space allowed by the Superintendent, by deadline date.
4. Cattle must be free of horns except; calves or breed specific
5. All bulls one year of age or older **must have a permanent nose ring** and must be shown with lead on ring.
6. All animals must have RFID tag.
7. Per breed, an exhibitor cannot receive more than two premiums in any lot.
8. It is recommended that all beef cattle be secured with halters and neck ropes.
9. Animals comprising a herd may compete for individual premiums.
10. Only one money will be paid for any one animal except where shown in group.
11. If livestock are not healthy and/or well cared for when brought to the Fair, the CCAIS Board or designee have the authority to send them home and you will forfeit entry fees and any premiums.
12. Clipping chutes are not to be in the barn without permission of the Superintendent.
13. All cattle should be vaccinated for shipping.
14. All out-of-state livestock **MUST** have official certificate of "Veterinary Inspection Health Certificate" issued by an accredited veterinarian. Details of State Livestock Rules are available at the Fair Office.
15. **All stalls MUST be cleaned before exhibitor vacates the fairgrounds.**
16. **Youth under the age of 6 years old cannot show livestock as an individual. They cannot lead livestock into the show ring unless a parent or legal guardian is there to help on the lead line. They cannot show with older exhibitors.**
17. **Please note: Cattle do not have to be registered nor do they have to be full blood to show in a breed. Cattle may be shown in the breed they have the highest breed percentage or be shown as crossbreed. Example: Shorthorn plus show as Shorthorn, Limflex as Limousin.**
18. Beef Feeder Calf (Divisions 11 & 25):

- a) Classes will be divided by weight by Superintendent and ran through scales Saturday at time posted by Superintendent.
 - b. All calves must be castrated before fair and will not be allowed to show in bull classes.
 - c. Maximum weight allowed to be eligible for Grand or Reserve is 650lbs.
 - d. Calves must be of Beef breeds only no dairy calves will be allowed.
 - e. Calves over 650lbs not eligible for Champion placings but will receive a class placing in a separate class.
 - f. Heifers may be shown as a beef feeder class. That same heifer cannot be shown in a heifer breed class, but may be used in your family group classes.
19. Beef Feeder calves may be used in your family's group classes.

Additional Youth Rules:

1. The breeding animals must be heifers or cows being kept for beef breeding purposes.
2. First year exhibitors are limited to 3 breeding animals.
3. Advanced exhibitors may show 5 breeding animals.
5. Bred & Owned Female:
 - a. Each exhibitor may have only one entry, all breeds and ages will show together in one Division.
 - b. To be bred and owned, the exhibitor or their immediate family (parent or grandparent of exhibitor) must own the dam of the animal at the time of conception.
 - c. Embryo transfer calves will be allowed only if the donor cow was owned by the exhibitor of their immediate family when she was flushed.
 - d. This is award only; no premiums will be given.
6. Educational Exhibits may be in Poster or Power-Point form, but those exhibited in Power Point form should be printed for display for the week.
7. Management records may be done in a notebook form or on the computer in PowerPoint form. Those presented on the computer must be printed off and put in a binder for display for the week. The records need to contain an expense report, and an income report for the year starting on January 1 or when you purchased your animal. If you have shown the heifer last year, you need to complete your income and expense report for the precious year, add any new ones and continue on with this year. The goal is that as a breeder of beef cattle you need to keep records just as you would with a business. You also need to include a record on the heifer/cow, breeding dates, calving dates, and any issues you had throughout the year with her. You will need to write at least a paragraph on an issue or vent you had during the year with your project, this could be a good or bad experience but, something that you learned over the year. Any pictures (shows, classes, etc.) will complete the project. The point is to have a record of our years of showing Beef Breeding Stock.

**DEPARTMENT 4
OPEN BEEF BREEDING
&
DEPARTMENT 5
YOUTH/4-H BEEF BREEDING**

**Kim Mowry
Superintendent
269-419-0344**

BEEF BREEDING CATTLE ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair from 3:00pm-9:00pm

YOUTH MANAGEMENT RECORDS, EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS, AND PHOTOGRAPHY JUDGING: Sunday of Fair from 9:00am-NOON

LIVESTOCK JUDGING: Sunday of Fair beginning at 2:00pm STARTS IN SHEEP BARN

BEEF FITTING SHOW: Thursday of Fair in the afternoon

YOUTH & OPEN BEEF BREEDING SHOW: Tuesday of Fair beginning at 11:30am

SKILLATHON: Thursday of Fair 11:00 am-1:00 pm in tent by Covered Arena

The report sheets are available on the fair website under Youth Forms and guidelines, or you may use ones of your own.

PREMIUMS (Department 4):

1st - \$15.00, 2nd - \$10.00, 3rd - \$8.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Department 5 Divisions 1-12, 23, 25):

A - \$8.00, B - \$6.00, C - \$4.00

PREMIUMS (Department 5 Division 22):

1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

PREMIUMS (Department 5 Divisions 24, 26):

A - \$4.00, B - \$3.00, C - \$2.00

DEPARTMENT 4 – OPEN BEEF BREEDING

DIVISION 1 – SHORTHORN

DIVISION 2 – GELBVIEH

DIVISION 3 – CHIANINA

DIVISION 4 – HEREFORD

DIVISION 5 – HIGHLANDER

DIVISION 6 – ANGUS

DIVISION 7 – DEXTER

DIVISION 8 – SIMMENTAL

DIVISION 9 – LIMOUSIN

DIVISION 10 – CROSSBREDS

DIVISION 11 – OTHER BREEDS

DIVISION 12 – BRITISH WHITE

25. Jr Summer Bull Calf (born after May 1st of current year)

26. Jr Spring Bull Calf (born between March 1st and April 30th of current year)

27. Late Winter Bull Calf (born between Jan 1 and Feb 28 of current year)

28. Winter Bull Calf (born between Nov 1 and Dec 31 previous year)

29. Senior Bull Calf (born between Sept 1 and Oct 31 previous year)

30. Summer Yearling Bull (born between May 1 and Aug 31 previous year)

31. Jr Yearling Bull (born between Jan 1 and April 30, previous year)

32. Senior Yearling Bull (born between Sep 1 and Dec 31, of 2 years previous)

33. 2yr Old Bull (born between March 1 and Aug 31, of 2 years previous)

Champion Bull - \$5.00 and Rosette

34. Two bulls owned by same family

35. Jr Summer Heifer Calf (born after May 1st of current year)

36. Jr Spring Heifer Calf (born after March 1st and April 30th of current year)

37. Jr Late Winter Heifer Calf (born between Jan 1st and Feb 28th of current year)

38. Winter Heifer Calf (born between Nov 1 and Dec 31 of previous year)

39. Senior Heifer Calf (born between Sept 1 and Oct 31 previous year)

40. Late Summer Yearling Heifer (born between July 1 and Aug 31 previous year)

41. Early Summer Yearling Heifer (born between May 1 and June 30 previous year)

42. Spring Yearling Heifer (born between March 1 and April 30 previous year)

43. Jr Yearling Heifer (born between Jan 1 and Feb 28 previous year)

44. Senior Yearling Heifer (born between Sept 1 and Dec 31, 2 years previous)

45. 2yr Old Cow (born between March 1 and Aug 31, 2 years previous) with Calf at side

46. 3yr Old Cow (born after March 1) with Calf at side

47. Aged cow 4yrs old and over (born after March 1st) with Calf at side

Champion Female - \$5.00 and Rosette

Supreme Champion Rosette – Cow and Bull

48. Two Females (Owned by Same Family)

49. Get of Sire – Four Animals (Both Sexes Represented), One Sire, Owned by Same Family, Animals Must be Shown in Individual Classes to be Eligible

50. Pair of Calves – Bull and Heifer from Senior, Winter, or Junior Calf Classes

51. Pair of Yearlings – Bull and Heifer from Junior, Spring, or Summer Yearling Classes

52. Produce of Dam – Two Offspring (Any Age, Either Sex) from the Same Dam

53. Junior Herd – Four Animals Owned by the Same Family

DIVISION 13

BEEF FEEDER CALF

56. Beef Feeder Calf – Up to 650lbs

57. Beef Feeder Calf – Over 650lbs

Champion Feeder Steer - \$5.00 and Rosette

Reserve Champion Rosette

DIVISION 14

OPEN BEEF BREEDING PHOTOS

All photos must be mounted for stabling to wall with at least 1" border. All photos should be 4x6, 5x7 or 8x10 no larger. A photo cannot be entered in both open and youth in the same year.

58. Selfie – You and Beef Animal(s)

59. Photo of Beef Animal(s)

60. Farmscape

DEPARTMENT 5 – YOUTH BEEF BREEDING

DIVISION 1 – SHORTHORN

DIVISION 2 – GELBVIEH

DIVISION 3 – CHIANINA

DIVISION 4 – HEREFORD

DIVISION 5 – HIGHLANDER

DIVISION 6 – ANGUS

DIVISION 7 – DEXTER

DIVISION 8 – SIMMENTAL

DIVISION 9 – LIMOUSIN

DIVISION 10 – CROSSBREDS

DIVISION 11 – OTHER BREEDS

DIVISION 12 – BRITISH WHITE

1328. Jr Summer Heifer Calf (calved after May 1st of current year)

1329. Jr Spring Heifer Calf (calved between

March 1 and April 30 of current year)

1330. Jr Late Winter Heifer Calf (calved between January 1st and February 28th of current year)

1331. Winter Heifer Calf, calved between (Nov 1-Dec 31 previous year)

1332. Senior Heifer Calf, calved between (Sept 1-Oct 31 previous year)

1333. Late Summer Yearling Heifer calved between (July 1-Aug 31)

1334. Early Summer Yearling Heifer calved between (May 1-June 30)

1335. Spring Yearling Heifer calved between (March 1-April 30)

1336. Jr Yearling Heifer calved between (Jan 1-Feb 28)

1337. Senior Yearling Heifer calved between (Sept 1-Dec 31, 2 years previous)

1338. Heifer, two years old calved between (March 1-Aug 31, 2 years previous)

1339. Cow, 3 years Old

1340. Cow, 4 years and over

Grand Champion Award and Rosette

Reserve Champion Rosette

Supreme Champion Award

DIVISION 22

BEEF BREEDING SHOWMANSHIP

Award to 1st place each class

Medals to 2nd-4th places each class

1344. Beginner 6-7

1345. Junior 8-11

1346. Intermediate 12-15

1347. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 23

BRED AND OWNED FEMALE

Grand Champion Trophy and Rosette

Reserve Champion Trophy and Rosette

1349. Bred and Owned Female

DIVISION 24

BEEF BREEDING MANAGEMENT RECORDS

Award and Rosette for top report each class

1350. Beginner 6-7

1351. Junior 8-11

1352. Intermediate 12-15

1353. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 25

BEEF FEEDER CALVES

Award for Grand and Reserve Champion in class
1354

1354. Beef Feeder Calves – Up to 650lbs

1355. Beef Feeder Calves – Over 650lbs

DIVISION 26

BEEF BREEDING EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

1324. Beginner 6-7

1325. Junior 8-11

1326. Intermediate 12-15

1327. Senior 16-21

DEPARTMENT 6 YOUTH/4-H MARKET BEEF

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MANDATROY SPRING WEIGH-IN: 3rd Saturday of March, 8:30am-12:00pm

YOUTH MARKET BEEF ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair from 4:00pm-8:00pm

MANAGEMENT RECORDS JUDGING: See superintendent

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT & PHOTOGRAPHY JUDGING: Sunday of Fair from 9:00am-12:00pm (beef breeding barn)

LIVESTOCK JUDGING: Sunday of Fair at 2:00pm (Sheep Barn)

BEEF FITTING/SHOWING: Thursday of Fair- afternoon (arena)

YOUTH MARKET BEEF SALES PRESENTATIONS: Tuesday of Fair beginning at 5:00pm

YOUTH MARKET BEEF SHOW: Wednesday of Fair beginning at 3:00pm

SKILLATHON: Thursday of Fair 11:00 am-1:00 pm in tent by Covered Arena

HOMEBRED MARKET SHOW: Tuesday of Fair at 10:00am following beef breeding show

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds beginning Sunday after Fair at 6:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

1. All steers must be properly tagged with an RFID tag prior to March weigh in. Steers without RFID tags in their ear will not be allowed to unload at the fairgrounds (this includes both March weigh in and the fair). If a steer loses an RFID tag, the superintendent must be notified immediately with both the new tag number and a photo of the tag in the steer's ear. Failure to notify the superintendent before the Saturday of the fair will result in the steer not being allowed to unload and forced to be hauled home.

a. Only the RFID electronic tags will be allowed to be in the ear at fair. All others must be removed before weigh-in

2. No bulls or stags may be shown. This is a steer show only.

3. Animals will be weighed in Saturday before Fair from 5:00-7:00pm as they come in, minimum weights at fair weigh-in are:

a. Steer – 950lbs

b. Heifer – 900lbs

c. Light beef will be allowed to participate in verbal interviews and showmanship, but are not eligible for sale

4. Animals will be stalled within their own separate clubs and/or by family members. (i.e. Showtime youth club will be together, Calhoun County 4-H will be stalled together and so on)

5. Each exhibitor must provide their own gate. There must be a gate every 2-3 animals with no more than three animals per pen. The superintendent will provide gates to separate the tack areas only (Barn gates will be used for this and ONLY this).

6. Immediate family may exchange animals among their immediate family, if necessary. You MUST inform the superintendent of this change.

7. All beef exhibitors will be required to participate in verbal feed records and showmanship to be able to enter the sale.

8. The separate clubs are to work together to keep the barn presentable, this includes barn duty, which is the entire barn, front, back, wash areas and walkways. Also, participation is not limited to just fair events, it is expected that all clubs will work together on non-fair events as well such as weigh-in or any fitting clinics held. (i.e. show set-up and tear down and sale set up and tear down)

9. Showmanship will start at 2 p.m. pending the finish of the swine show and market classes will begin after the conclusion of showmanship. (please note a brief break may be taken at the conclusion of showmanship)

11. Beef show participants are not required to fit but it is encouraged, if the youth chooses to fit their animal you must participate in the process of fitting. (Please note fitting assistance is not limited to just a family member) No adding of hair, twine, hemp, rope or fiber to animal.

· No Aerosol cans in the makeup area.

12. No forced administration of fluid to create gut-fill will be allowed.

13. If you chose to not sell your steer you must notify the superintendent immediately after the show. (Please note that all champions are required to sell)

14. Clubs are required to provide their own bedding (please note it must be a wood product i.e. bark or shavings)

15. Youth are recommended to dress in appropriate show attire.

16. Members may show a beef and dairy steer, but only sell one unless Grand or Reserve Champion

17. Dairy beef Breeds (Holstein, Brown Swiss, Jersey, Dutch Belt, Ayrshires, Guernsey)

18. Homegrown rules set forth by the CCAIS are located at the front of the livestock section

19. Market Class: **Weight will be determined at Scale Time**

20. Educational Exhibit: Will demonstrate the

youth's knowledge of breeding, raising, and/or showing beef cattle via a Poster or PowerPoint presentation (8-12 slides) on any topic relating to market beef/beef breeding.

21. Beef Fitting:

a. Animals will be fit in the ring, when brought to the ring animals should be clean.

b. Exhibitors will be allowed only 20 minutes to prepare the animal for the show and are judged on their ability and knowledge.

c. Will run two classes Advanced Team Fitting is 1 or 2 exhibitors per animal.

d. Novice will have no more than 4 exhibitors with a 5th being an advanced member to assist.

e. **Team are responsible for providing animal, chute, and equipment to the arena on time**

PREMIUMS (Divisions 1, 2):

1st - \$8.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$4.00

PREMIUMS (Division 3):

1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

PREMIUMS (Divisions 5-7):

1st - \$4.00, 2nd- \$3.00, 3rd - \$2.00

DIVISION 1

MARKET CLASS

Awards and Rosettes each weight class

Grand Champion Award and Rosette

Reserve Champion Award and Rosette

1300. Beef Market Steer

1301. Beef Market Heifer

1302. Dairy Market Steer

DIVISION 2

HOMEGROWN

Award and Rosette for 1st place

1315. Homegrown Market Steer

DIVISION 3

MARKET & DAIRY BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

Award and Rosette to 1st place each class

1304. Junior 8-11

1305. Intermediate 12-15

1306. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 4

RATE OF GAIN

Award and Rosette each class

1310. Market Beef

1311. Dairy Beef

DIVISION 5

BEEF MANAGEMENT RECORDS

Award and Rosette to 1st place each class

1315. Junior 8-11

1316. Intermediate 12-15

1317. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 6

YOUTH BEEF FITTING

1320. Junior 8-11

1321. Intermediate 12-15

**DIVISION 7
YOUTH BEEF EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT**

1324. Junior 8-11

1325. Intermediate 12-15

1326. Senior 16-21

**DEPARTMENT 7
OPEN SHEEP
&
DEPARTMENT 8
YOUTH/4-H SHEEP**

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MANDATORY SPRING WEIGH IN: First Saturday in May from 8:00 am – 11:00 am

OPEN & YOUTH SHEEP ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair from 5:00pm-6:30pm

FINAL WEIGH-IN AND BREEDING CHECK IN (MANDATORY): Saturday before Fair from 5:30pm-6:30pm

YOUTH EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS JUDGING: Sunday of Fair 3pm to 5pm

YOUTH MANAGEMENT RECORDS JUDGING: Sunday of Fair 3pm to 5pm

Wool Judging: Tuesday of Fair @ 9:00am

OPEN & YOUTH SHEEP SHOW: Monday of Fair at 2:00pm (or immediately following the Goat Show, whichever is later)

Mandatory Pen Tear down: Sunday following the Fair at 6:00am

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds beginning Sunday after Fair at 6:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

1. All sheep must be in good health. Those with clinical signs of infections, contagious diseases (such as ringworm, fungus, etc.), and/or prolapse will be removed at the discretion of the CCAIS Board or designee.
2. Sheep for exhibition must not be trucked or shipped to the Calhoun County Fair unless entries have been accepted and space allowed by the Superintendent.
3. No animal shall be entered for more than one premium except in flocks and pens.
4. The date for computing the age of sheep is

August 1, 2026

5. Sheep do not need to be registered to a specific breed association to show. Sheep should be entered in the breed where they have the highest percentage or should be shown as a crossbreed.
6. All exhibitors must follow the Superintendent's Barn Rules
7. Bedding only shavings, except breeding stock.
8. Any hay fed to sheep must be in hanging bags or feeders that are inaccessible to sheep in adjacent pens. No ground feeding.
9. All feed pans, hay feeders, water buckets, etc. must be provided by the exhibitor.
10. **Youth under the age of 6 years old cannot show livestock as an individual. They cannot lead livestock into the show ring unless a parent or legal guardian is there to help on the lead line.**
11. Exhibitor must contact superintendent by August 1, 2026, to arrange for pen space.
12. Only first place winners are eligible to compete for championship awards.
13. A flock shall consist of:
 - a. Open Class Flock: one ram, two ewes 1 year old but not yet 2 years old, and two ewe lambs.
 - b. Youth Flock: one ram, one yearling ewe, one ewe lamb.
14. Where one firm or individual is exhibiting multiple entries in any class and two premiums will be awarded, the right is reserved to withhold all premiums should the entries not be worthy. The Superintendent will determine a final decision as to how many individuals or firms are exhibiting.
15. Only one premium will be paid in a class where there is no competition.
14. **All pens MUST be cleaned before exhibitor vacates the fairgrounds.**
15. A pen fee of \$3.00 per head must be paid for every sheep entered in open class or youth division.
16. The USDA requires all sheep participating in fairs and exhibitions to have an official USDA individual scrapie animal identification tag.
17. In addition to official identification, each sexually intact sheep crossing state lines or entering into interstate commerce must be accompanied by an official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health certificate) issued by an accredited veterinarian.
18. Intact males will be disqualified from the market show and carcass class.
19. Fleece:
 - a. Fleece do not need to be tied for show
 - b. Fleece may be purchased if it is raw and uncleaned at the time of purchase.
 - c. Only one fleece per class per entrant.
22. Open Class Market Lambs:
 - a. Please enter all market lambs in class 551 (middleweight). Once lambs are weighed, the entries will be adjusted by the clerk, and classes will be posted. All Open Market Lambs must be weighed in at the Youth Final Weigh-in for Market Lambs. Contact the Superintendent for accurate date and time. Actual weight classes will be posted, and adjustments will be made on Sunday of

the fair

23. Carcass Class:
 - a. Carcass lambs must have DNA sent in by May 15, 2026
 - b. Carcass lambs must weigh at least 90lbs at final weigh-in (tentatively the Sunday before fair week)
 - c. Carcass Lambs will be taken directly to Pease packing in Climax on August 10th between the hours of 8-12. Then for judging kids need to be back at Peases on Friday, August 14th at 2:00 for the results.
 - d. Exhibitors are responsible for the sale of the lamb and processing, cutting orders are due at drop off.
24. Rules Specific to Youth:
 - a. All youth must adhere to the by-laws or rules of their respective club.
 - b. Pens will be cleaned by 9 am every day.
 - c. **Initial market lamb weigh-in for Rate of Gain is from spring mandatory weigh-in.**
 - d. Each participant may weigh-in a maximum of 4 lambs at the initial weigh in, carcass entries may weigh-in an additional 2 lambs.
 - e. Immediate family members may weigh in under a family name in May but must declare lambs to specific children at the final weigh in.
 - f. Market Lambs must weigh a minimum of 90 pounds to show and sell at the fair. Lambs under 90 pounds will need to be taken home.
 - g. Each exhibitor is limited to showing two market lambs in the Youth Market Show. Those same two can be any combination of Ewe or Whether.
 - h. Each exhibitor may only have one animal in the top 5 overall.
 - i. If Best of Show & Reserve Home Bred and Raised are not shown in Division 10, the lamb will not be considered for Individual Champion and Individual Reserve Champion.
 - j. Ewe lambs may be entered in market Divisions. Ewe lambs show as market lambs may NOT be shown as breeding stock.
 - k. Market lambs must be slick shorn before arrival to the fair on Saturday (Recommendation: slick shorn within 7 days of arrival).
 - l. Thank You Notes for prizes, trophies, and buyers must be written and turned in by Saturday at 5:00pm of fair week to the administrative leader of the club in which each youth is exhibiting.
 - m. All youth participants exhibiting breeding stock or market lambs must complete a verbal management interview.
 - n. Showmanship is mandatory for all youth exhibiting market lambs or breeding stock.
 - o. If the exhibitor cannot show his/her animal due to personal medical issue, he/she will not be eligible for showmanship competition but is required to in the show arena during their class. A showman can be substituted for the market class. All of this must be with prior approval by the superintendent and Livestock committee. See front of book.
 - p. Homegrown rules set forth by the CCAIS are located at the front of the livestock section. If home grown "Best of Show" and "Reserve Best of Show" are not exhibited in Division 10, they will not be eligible for individual champion and reserve

champion. The exhibitor may only sell a maximum of two (2) lambs. One extra TAGGED lamb may be designated and exhibited for the home-grown class ONLY. Each exhibitor is limited to one home grown entry.

q. All youth exhibitors are required to complete barn duty.

Youth Auction Information:

1. Any exhibitor who does not intend to sell their market animal through the Youth Livestock Auction must notify the Superintendent within 2 hours of the end of the market lamb show. Animals designated as No Sale are still eligible for Championship Divisions.
2. Any market animal named Grand or Reserve Champion will be sold at the Livestock Sale.
3. All members may show and sell two lambs.
4. In late June, there will be a mandatory sales/ auction meeting at the Fairgrounds.

PREMIUMS (Department 7):

1st - \$12.00, 2nd - \$10.00, 3rd - \$8.00, 4th - \$6.00, 5th - \$4.00

PREMIUMS (Department 8 Divisions 1-10):

A - \$6.00, B - \$5.00, C - \$4.00

PREMIUMS (Department 8 Divisions 11-12):

A - \$4.00, B - \$3.00, C - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Department 8 Division 13):

1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

DEPARTMENT 7 – OPEN SHEEP

DIVISION 1 – HAMPSHIRE

DIVISION 2 – SUFFOLK

DIVISION 3 – SOUTHDOWN

DIVISION 4 – NATURAL COLORED

DIVISION 5 – BORDER LEICESTER

DIVISION 6 – ROMNEY

DIVISION 7 – DORSET

DIVISION 8 – ANY OTHER RECOGNIZED

DIVISION 9 – CROSSBREED

500. Ram Lamb

501. Yearling Ram

502. Pair of Ram Lambs

503. Yearling Ewe

504. Ewe Lamb

505. Pair of Ewe Lambs

506. Flock

Champion Ram - \$4.00 and Rosette

Champion Ewe - \$4.00 and Rosette

550. Lightweight Market Lamb

551. Middleweight Market Lamb

552. Heavyweight Market Lamb

Champion Market Lamb - \$4.00 and Rosette

DIVISION 10 – Wool

Award to best of show in each class

530. Fleece

531. Skein of Yarn Spun by Exhibitor

532. Item Kitted from Yarn Spun by Exhibitor

533. Item Crocheted from Yarn Spun by Exhibitor

DEPARTMENT 8 – YOUTH SHEEP

DIVISION 1 – HAMPSHIRE

DIVISION 2 – SUFFOLK

DIVISION 3 – SOUTHDOWN

DIVISION 4 – NATURAL COLORED

DIVISION 5 – BORDER LEICESTER

DIVISION 6 – ROMNEY

DIVISION 7 – DORSET

DIVISION 8 – ANY OTHER RECOGNIZED

DIVISION 9 – CROSSBREED

1400. Ram Lamb

1401. Pair of Ram Lambs

1402. Yearling Ram

1403. Ewe Lamb

1404. Pair of Ewe Lambs

1405. Yearling Ewe

1406. Flock

Champion Ram Award and Rosette

Champion Ewe Award and Rosette

1410. Fleece

1411. Skein of Yarn Spun by Exhibitor

1412. Item Kitted from Yarn Spun by Exhibitor

1413. Item Crocheted from Yarn Spun by Exhibitor

DIVISION 10-YOUTH MARKET LAMBS

1420. Market Ewe Lamb

1421. Market Wether Lamb

1422. Homegrown Market Lamb

****IF MORE THAN 3 WHITE FACED OR BLACK FACE SHEEP WILL SPLIT INTO CLASSES. ****

DIVISION 11-YOUTH MANAGEMENT RECORDS

Award to best of show in each class

1440. Beginner 6-7

1441. Junior 8-11

1442. Intermediate 12-15

1443. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 12-YOUTH EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

Award to best of show in each class

1445. Beginner 6-7

1446. Junior 8-11

1447. Intermediate 12-15

1448. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 13-YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP

Award to 1st place

Ribbons 2nd to 7th

1450. Beginner 6-7

1451. Junior 8-11

1452. Intermediate 12-15

1453. Senior 16-21

Overall Showman to follow

DIVISION 14 – WOOL

Award to best of show in each class

1410. Fleece

1411. Skein of Yarn Spun by Exhibitor

1412. Item Kitted from Yarn Spun by Exhibitor

1413. Item Crocheted from Yarn Spun by Exhibitor

DIVISION 15-RATE OF GAIN

Award to best of show

1460. Rate of Gain Contest

DIVISION 16-CARCASS

Award to Best of Show and Reserve

1461. Carcass (Grand and Reserve must sell)

DEPARTMENT 9 OPEN GOATS & DEPARTMENT 10 YOUTH/4-H GOATS

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OPEN & YOUTH GOAT ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair from 5:00pm-7:00pm

WEIGH-IN & VET CHECK: Saturday before Fair from 5:00pm-7:00pm

ALL YOUTH MARKET ANIMALS MUST SUBMIT DNA SUBMISSIONS BY May 15, 2026

YOUTH MANAGEMENT RECORDS JUDGING: Sunday of Fair at 11:30 am

OPEN & YOUTH GOAT SHOW: Monday of Fair at 8:30am (shows will run concurrently)

WORKING GOAT SHOW: Thursday of Fair at 2:30 PM

FITTING CONTEST: Thursday of Fair at 1:30 PM, all contestants must be goat exhibitors.

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds Sunday after fair between 6:00am-7:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

OPEN GOAT RULES:

1. All goats must be the property of the exhibitor at the time of entry.
2. Goat exhibitors are instructed that their exhibit should NOT be trucked or shipped to the Calhoun County Fair, unless entries have been accepted and space allowed by the Superintendent.
3. All exhibitors must follow the Superintendent's Barn Rules which are posted in the barn.
4. Youth under the age of 6 years old cannot show livestock as an individual. They cannot lead livestock into the show ring unless a parent or legal guardian is there to help on the lead line.
5. Overcrowding will not be allowed.
6. No Bucks will be allowed.
7. All dairy goats are to be fully clipped within two weeks of show and before coming to the fairgrounds.
8. Goats are to be free of horns, unless the breed allows. All dairy goat and market wethers must be free of horns. Any re-grow of horns must be less than 2 inches long. Milk teeth must be present in all market animals. Market does are allowed to have horns.

9. All goats are subject to inspection by the Superintendent and/or Veterinarian.
10. Absolutely no drugs or medication are to be given to goats at the fair without the Superintendent's permission.
11. No more than two goats may be entered in each class, under the same exhibitor.
12. Where one firm or individual is exhibiting in a class, only two premiums will be awarded, and the right is reserved to withhold all premiums should the entries not be worthy.
13. A decision as to how many individuals or firms exhibiting shall be left in the hands of the Superintendent of the department and his or her decision shall be final.
14. Only one premium will be paid in a class where there is not competition.
15. Any doe in milk is required to be at the milk-out in the goat barn at the posted time the night before showing. All does will be milked-out by the exhibitor or a designated milker in the presence of the Superintendent, or representative. Failure to milk out will constitute disqualification from all milk, udder, and herd classes.
16. To be eligible for the milk production contest, does must be milked out by the exhibitor or a designated milker in the presence of the Superintendent, at specified times. Milk will be weighed and recorded using DHIA approved milk scales.
17. All pens MUST be cleaned before exhibitor leaves the fairgrounds.
18. Wood chips will be used for bedding.

YOUTH GOAT RULES:

1. All market animals must submit DNA submissions by May 15, 2026.
2. Market animals should be castrated and have scrapie tag identification in their ear at the time of DNA submission. In person weigh ins are encouraged, but are optional in regards to fair participation. Club leaders may arrange group weigh ins at their discretion.
3. Families (immediate) with multiple children may submit DNA for market goats under family name and then designate animals to a specific child at the time of the final weigh in (Saturday August 9th).
4. Does may be shown as Market animals (Divisions 8, 9) OR Breeding animals (Divisions 1, 3, 4, 5), but not both. Does exhibited in market classes do not need to be dehorned.
5. Grand and Reserve Champion market animals must sell in small animal auction. All others must submit written notice to the superintendent by 8pm show day if not selling. Each exhibitor may only have one animal in the top 5 overall.
6. Exhibitors may show a maximum of 6 goats, no more than 2 goats may be entered in each class, under the same exhibitor. Goat exhibitors are only allowed to sell one animal at auction.
7. All market animals must have milk teeth. Weigh in and Vet check will be determined and posted.
8. Show order will be posted in the barn Sunday night. Youth and Open will run concurrently.
9. Goat show collars or halters must be used.

- Approved prong, chain, nylon or leather can be used in the show ring. No rope halters. The superintendent determines show quality.
10. Thank You Notes for prizes, trophies, and buyers must be written and turned in by Friday at noon of fair week to the administrative leader of the club in which each youth is exhibiting.
11. All exhibitors must follow the barn rules posted by the Goat and Sheep Superintendents.
12. All pens are to be bedded with wood shavings (no straw)
13. Goats are to be free of horns, unless the breed allows. All dairy goat and market wethers must be free of horns. Any re-grow of horns must be less than 2 inches long. Milk teeth must be present in all market animals. Market does are allowed to have horns.
14. All dairy breeds and market animals must be clipped within 2 weeks of show day.
15. Each pen must have adequate water, hay and feed provided in feeders. No ground feeding.
16. Pens must be cleaned by 9:00am daily. All pens must be completely re-bed on Wednesday by 9:00am.
17. All youth exhibitors are required to complete barn duty.
18. Pen set up is TBD. Pen take down will be Sunday after Fair 2026, at 7:00am.
19. Dairy wether must be a 100% dairy breed or a cross of dairy breeds only.
20. Does may be shown as Market animals (Divisions 8, 9) OR Breeding animals (Divisions 1, 3, 4, 5), but not both. Does exhibited in market classes do not need to be dehorned.

PREMIUMS (Department 9):

1st - \$10.00, 2nd - \$8.00, 3rd - \$6.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Department 10 Divisions 1-6, 8-9):

1st - \$6.00, 2nd - \$5.00, 3rd - \$4.00

PREMIUMS (Department 10 Division 7):

1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

PREMIUMS (Department 10 Divisions 10-11):

1st - \$4.00, 2nd - \$3.00, 3rd - \$2.00

DEPARTMENT 9 – OPEN GOATS

DIVISION 1

DAIRY BREEDS

200. Jr Doe Kid (4/1/21 or After)
201. Sr Doe Kid (1/1/21-3/31/21)
202. Dry Jr Yearling (8/1/20-12/31/20)
203. Dry Sr Yearling (7/31/20 to Under 2yrs)
204. Yearling Milker (Under 2yrs Old)
205. Jr Milker (2rs Old to 4yrs Old)
206. Sr Milker (4yrs Old & Up)
207. Dry Sr Doe
210. Homegrown Doe
211. Dairy Market Animal

DIVISION 2

MILK PRODUCTION

221. Milk Production Contest

DIVISION 3

MEAT BREEDS

230. Does born after 8/1/prior year (classes will be determined by weight)
233. Sr Doe Yearling (7/31/prior year to Under 2yrs)
234. Sr Doe (Under 2yrs Old)
235. Meat Market Animal
238. Homegrown Doe

DIVISION 4

PYGMY

242. Doe Kid (Under 1yr Old)
243. Junior Doe (1yr Old to 4yrs Old)
244. Senior Doe (4yrs Old & Up)

DIVISION 5

FIBER GOATS

246. Fiber Breed Doe
247. Fiber Breed Wether

DIVISION 6

WORKING GOATS

256. Obstacle (Exhibitor all ages)

DIVISION 7

SHOWMANSHIP

260. Beginner Show-person (6-7)
261. Junior Show-person (8-11)
262. Intermediate Show-person (12-15)
263. Senior Show-person (16-21)
264. Best Show-person (All Ages)

DEPARTMENT 10 – YOUTH GOATS

DIVISION 1

DAIRY BREEDS

2100. Jr Doe Kid (4/1/21 or After)
2101. Sr Doe Kid (1/1/21-3/31/21)
2102. Dry Jr Yearling (8/1/20-12/31/20)
2103. Dry Sr Yearling (7/31/20 to Under 2yrs)
2104. Yearling Milker (Under 2yrs Old)
2105. Jr Milker (2rs Old to 4yrs Old)
2106. Sr Milker (4yrs Old & Up)
2107. Dry Sr Doe over 2
2110. Homegrown Doe
2114. Dairy Animal (Not Shown as Market Animal)

DIVISION 2

MILK PRODUCTION

2115. Milk Production Contest

DIVISION 3

MEAT BREEDS

2116. Does born after 8/1/prior year, classes will be determined by weight.
2119. Sr Doe Yearling (7/31/20 to Under 2yrs)
2120. Sr Doe (Under 2yrs Old)
2124. Homegrown Doe

DIVISION 4

PYGMY

- 2128. Doe Kid (Under 1yr Old)
- 2129. Junior Doe (1yr Old to 4yrs Old)
- 2130. Senior Doe (4yrs Old & Up)
- 2131. Wether

DIVISION 5

FIBER GOATS

- 2132. Fiber Breed Doe
- 2133. Fiber Breed Wether

DIVISION 6

WORKING GOATS

- 2134. Obstacle (ALL AGES)

DIVISION 7

SHOWMANSHIP

- 2145. Beginner Show-person (6-7)
- 2146. Junior Show-person (8-11)
- 2147. Intermediate Show-person (12-15)
- 2148. Senior Show-person (16-21)

DIVISION 8

MARKET ANIMALS

- 2150. Dairy Goats
- 2151. Meat Goats

DIVISION 9

HOMEGROWN MARKET ANIMALS

- 2160. Dairy Homegrown
- 2161. Meat Homegrown

DIVISION 10

MANAGEMENT RECORDS

- 2165. Beginner 6-7
- 2166. Junior 8-11
- 2167. Intermediate 12-15
- 2168. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 11

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

- 2170. Beginner 6-7
- 2171. Junior 8-11
- 2172. Intermediate 12-15
- 2173. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 12

GOAT FITTING CONTEST

- 2174. ALL AGES

DIVISION 13

GOAT NOVELTY

- 2175. Pet Goat
- 2176. Costume Contest

SWINE ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair from 4:00pm-8:00pm

YOUTH MANAGEMENT RECORDS JUDGING: Sunday of Fair time TBD

SWINE WEIGH-IN/CHECK IN: Sunday of Fair at 8:00am. Upon Arrival, must weigh in off the trailer before going to pen.

SWINE SHOW: Wednesday of Fair at 8:30am

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds Sunday after Fair between 6:00am -7:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

- Exhibitors must be in possession of hogs by May 15, 2026
- All ear notches, DNA and descriptions of hogs MUST be turned in by May 15, 2026, to the Fair Office
- If hogs are not ear notched, photos should be taken looking at the front of the hog and include part of the front of the snout.
- All hogs must have a premise ID tag or a RFD tag in ear by May 15th to turn in proper identification with the DNA registration
- There is no limit on the number of hogs entered. Households (immediate) with multiple children (i.e. siblings) may enter under a family name with DNA submission, but must designate animals to a child at fair weigh in; maximum of 2 hogs per exhibitor at fair weigh in.
- Exhibitors must submit entries online by May 15th. DNA submission forms, DNA samples and ear notch paperwork must be turned into the Fair office or mailed to the Fair office and postmarked by May 15th. Contact your superintendent if you have questions.
- All exhibitors MUST participate in showmanship.
- All exhibitors MUST participate in the Interviews.
- No boars, sows or bred hogs will be exhibited at fair.
- All hogs subject to inspection by superintendent and/or vet.
- If entering in the purebred class proper documentation must be provided at fair weigh in.
- Absolutely no drugs or medications are to be given to hogs at the fair without superintendent's permission.
- Only wood shavings are to be used as bedding
- All pens MUST be properly cleaned and maintained ALL OF FAIR WEEK. The Swine barn will be clean and well-presented throughout fair week. Wet or soiled bedding must be removed daily.
- Hogs weighing under 220lbs are not eligible for market class (will not go thru auction); will be eligible for showmanship only.
- Hogs must weigh between 220-290lbs for market classes.
- Any hog weighing over 290lbs will be eligible for one reweigh. Any hog that doesn't meet that re-

- quirement will be eligible to show in the 290+ class but will not be able to compete for grand champion. All 290+ hogs will auction at 290lbs.
- All market hogs will be weighed Sunday morning at 8am. Exhibitors must be present.
- All exhibitors may show and auction two animals. They may be one crossbred barrow and one crossbred gilt, two crossbred gilts, two crossbred barrows, or two purebreds or one crossbred barrow or gilt and a purebred. The exhibitor may not enter more than two market classes.
- Purebred papers will be checked at weigh in.
- The superintendents will determine all weight classes.
- The exhibitors must have owned all animals being exhibited since May 15th of current year.
- If an exhibitor desires to no sale, the Superintendent must be notified by 8:00pm on show day.
- Grand and Reserve Champions must sell.
- In order to be eligible for the auction, hogs must be exhibited in market class.
- Hogs will not be released until 6:00am Sunday, without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).
- All exhibitors MUST clean their pens before leaving the fairgrounds.
- Exhibitors must use their own animal for showmanship.
- Carcass Class:
- The Calhoun County Youth Swine Carcass Show is open to any Calhoun County Registered Youth Swine Club member (all clubs eligible).
- Gilts & barrows are eligible & must not weigh over 290#.
- Only one pig per member may be entered into the Carcass Show.
- Animals must weigh between 220 -290lbs (live weight) to be eligible for premium or champion classes.
- A Live Evaluation Show and Carcass "On Rail" evaluation will be held prior to fair. Pigs must weigh at least 220#. Pigs weighing under 220# are not eligible to show in the carcass class.
- Each participant of the Carcass Show is responsible for the sale of the carcass.
- The packer must have cutting instructions sent with the pigs on the evening of the Live Evaluation Show.
- All participants will receive a premium and the 1st & 2nd place winners will receive an Award.
- Only the hog being exhibited in the carcass class is to be brought to carcass. If additional hogs are brought to be processed on the day of the live evaluation, advance arrangements are required to be made with the processor to ensure the hog can be accommodated.
- Homegrown:
- Must follow the guidelines set forth by the CCAIS Livestock Committee for Homegrown.
- The placings in the Homegrown Class will not affect the sale order of the Market Class Hogs, except for Grand and Reserve.
- Educational Exhibit will be a Swine Science Exhibit - 3-Dimensional exhibit (or notebook AND poster) with article relating to feeding, production, Fair Week August 16-22, 2026 | 31

DEPARTMENT 11 YOUTH/4-H SWINE

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processing of pork products, or industry standards.

PREMIUMS (Divisions 1, 5, 6):
1st - \$6.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Divisions 2, 4):
1st - \$4.00, 2nd - \$3.00, 3rd - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Division 3):
1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

DIVISION 1 MARKET HOGS

Award and Rosette to Champion
Award to Reserve Champion
Rosettes to 3rd-5th placings
1530. Market Gilt
1531. Market Barrow

DIVISION 2 VERBAL MANAGEMENT RECORDS

Awards and Best of Show Rosettes each class
1550. Beginner 6-7
1551. Junior 8-11
1552. Intermediate 12-15
1553. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 3 SHOWMANSHIP

Award to 1st place each class
Medals to 2nd-7th place each class
1560. Beginner 6-7
1561. Junior 8-11
1562. Intermediate 12-15
1563. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 4 EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

Award for Outstanding Exhibit Division 5
1580. Beginner 6-7
1581. Junior 8-11
1582. Intermediate 12-15
1583. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 5 HOMEGROWN

1585. Homegrown Market Hog (220-290lbs)

DIVISION 6 PUREBRED MARKET HOG

2590. Purebred Market Hog (220-290lbs)

DEPARTMENT 12 OPEN POULTRY

Kassie Hamaker
Superintendent
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POULTRY ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair from 4:00pm-6:00pm

OPEN POULTRY JUDGING: Sunday of Fair following Youth Poultry Judging

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds Sunday after Fair between 7:00am -8:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

Open Poultry Rules

1. All entries limited to Michigan residents only. ALL Fair entries MUST be done online only by entry deadline.
2. All open class exhibitors must pay per animal/pen fee (poultry is \$1.00 per animal) along with your \$10 exhibitor fee through ShoWorks, unless they are also entered in Youth division.
3. All entries will be judged according to the American Standard Perfection rules.
4. See State Livestock Rules for more information.
5. **All exhibitors MUST make reservations for pen space (cages) with the Superintendent by June 1st.** All animals must be bona fide property of the entrant and be handled by the owner or immediate family member. Exhibitor must own ALL market birds that they will be exhibiting by close of entries (this includes market/layers/fancy poultry). Bill of sale/receipt must be including with check in documentation.
6. All poultry/waterfowl exhibitors MUST provide the following to the Superintendent upon arrival at the Fair:
 - a. Hatchery source documentation
 - b. Entire flock or individual bird test report USDA VS9-2 or VS93 Michigan Department of Agriculture pullorum test form with owner certification
 - c. Statement provided by pullorum tester and/or accredited veterinarian
 - d. Owner certification statement with all of the above forms, providing verification of birds being presented for pullorum test status and isolation from unknown status poultry since pullorum test negative status
 - e. No exhibitor shall exhibit poultry that have been vaccinated against Infectious Laryngotracheitis (ILT). **Failure to disclose vaccination status can result in loss of premiums.**
7. **ALL Poultry exhibitors must furnish their**

own feed & watering dishes.

8. **All Poultry exhibitors must feed & water their own animals for the duration of the exhibit. Fresh water and feed must be in place by 9:00am. All pens must be cleaned by 10:00am. Superintendent will red tag all pens not cleaned by 10:00am.**
9. Any animals showing signs of disease or illness will be promptly removed and will not be permitted to show. Entry fees, pen fees, and premiums will be forfeited.
10. Every effort & precaution will be taken against loss of fire, disease, or theft, but the Calhoun County Fair will not be responsible for loss of stock or belongings at the Fair.
11. No open selling of your animal(s) or for sale signs will be allowed in the barn or tent.
12. Pen assignments will be done by Superintendent upon check in.
13. **Most accurate schedule based on entries will be posted in the Poultry barn by 7:30am Sunday. Show will NOT begin prior to 9:00am.**
14. **Barn Duty – Open Class exhibitors are expected to clean and maintain their own area minimum of 3 times per day.**
15. **All entries must remain in place until 7:00am Sunday. Poultry must be picked up between 7:00am-8:00am and your area must be cleaned. No poultry is to be taken from the grounds before release time without an early release form signed by the Superintendent and the Livestock Committee. No exhibitor may leave prior to their pen(s) being completely cleaned and put back into the barn by exhibitor that used that pen.**

PREMIUMS (Department 12):
1st - \$8.00, 2nd - \$7.00, 3rd - \$6.00, 4th - \$5.00, 5th - \$4.00

Males and Females will be Judged Separately, then Against Each Other for Best of Breed

DIVISION 1 LARGE POULTRY

160. Plymouth Rock Cock
161. Plymouth Rock Hen
162. Wyandottes Cock
163. Wyandottes Hen
164. Rhode Island Cock
165. Rhode Island Hen
166. Brahmas Cock
167. Brahmas Hen
168. Cochins Cock
169. Cochins Hen
170. Polish Bearded Cock
171. Polish Bearded Hen
172. Polish Non-Bearded Cock
173. Polish Non-Bearded Hen
174. Leghorns Cock
176. Leghorns Hen
176. Orpingtons Cock
177. Orpingtons Hen

178. Modern Games Cock
179. Modern Games Hen
180. Frizzles Cock
181. Frizzles Hen
182. Araucanas Cock
183. Araucanas Hen
184. Any Other Breed Cock
185. Any Other Breed Hen

DIVISION 2

BANTAM POULTRY

186. Plymouth Rock Cock
187. Plymouth Rock Hen
188. Wyandottes Cock
189. Wyandottes Hen
190. Brahmas Cock
191. Brahmas Hen
192. Cochins Cock
193. Cochins Hen
194. Leghorns Cock
195. Leghorns Hen
196. Japanese Cock
197. Japanese Hen
198. Mille Fleur Cock
199. Mille Fleur Hen
200. Silkies Cock
201. Silkies Hen
202. Old English Games Cock
203. Old English Games Hen
204. Polish Cock
205. Polish Hen
206. Frizzle Cock
207. Frizzle Hen
208. Any Other Breed Cock
209. Any Other Breed Hen

DIVISION 3

DUCKS

300. Rouens Drake
301. Rouens Hen
302. Muscovy Drake
303. Muscovy Hen
304. Runner Drake
305. Runner Hen
306. Swede Drake
307. Swede Hen
308. Buff Drake
309. Buff Hen
310. Cayuga Drake
311. Cayuga Hen
312. Mallard Drake
313. Mallard Hen
314. Khaki Campbell Drake
315. Khaki Campbell Hen
316. Peking Drake
317. Peking Hen
318. Any Other Breed Drake
319. Any Other Breed Hen

DIVISION 4

GEESE

400. Toulouse Gander
401. Toulouse Goose
402. Embden Gander

403. Embden Goose
404. African Gander
405. African Goose
406. Any Other Breed Gander
407. Any Other Breed Goose

DIVISION 5

OTHER POULTRY

408. Pigeons (Any Breed)
409. Pheasants (Any Breed)
410. Quail (Any Breed)
411. Turkeys (Any Breed)

DEPARTMENT 13 YOUTH/4-H POULTRY

Kassie Hamaker
Superintendent
269-209-6098

POULTRY ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair from 4:00pm-6:00pm

YOUTH MARKET RECORDS JUDGING: Saturday before Fair from 9:00am-12:00pm

YOUTH POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP: Sunday of Fair at 9:00am

YOUTH MARKET POULTRY JUDGING: Sunday of Fair at 10:00am

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds Sunday after Fair between 7:00am -8:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

Youth Poultry Rules

1. One entry permitted per class, but multiple classes may be entered. ALL Fair entries MUST be done online only by entry deadline. All youth exhibitors must be enrolled in a youth club by entry deadline to exhibit. Cage requests must be submitted by June 1st to the Superintendent. Each club leader must supply Superintendent a complete breakdown of pens needed for each section (Cornish, Broiler, Roaster, Fancy, Turkey, etc.). Any bird brought to the Fairgrounds MUST be entered in a market or fancy class. This includes birds being used in showmanship.
2. Showmanship is mandatory for all Youth Exhibitors. All birds being used in Showmanship MUST be entered in a separate class for the bird to be shown. This also applied to ALL age brackets. *Please note Showmanship is an exhibitor class, this is not a bird entry.
3. **GRAND AND RESERVE MARKET PROJECTS MUST BE SOLD AT AUCTION. GRAND CHAMPION MARKET EGGS WILL BE SOLD AT THE AUCTION WITH PROCEEDS GOING TO POULTRY BARN.**

4. Exhibitors will have until 8:00pm (the day of show) to decide if they want to auction their project. Unless they Grand or Reserve. Withdrawal from auction must be in writing, given to the Superintendent.
5. All poultry besides market poultry (except for ducks, geese, and pigeons) must be certified as Pullorum Typhoid free.
6. Market Poultry must be owned by exhibitor before one week of age. (Exhibitors are responsible for purchasing their own birds. Must give a copy of the receipt of purchase that reflects purchase date to superintendent at weigh in-NO EXCEPTIONS.) Exhibitor must own all birds that they will be exhibiting by the close of entries (including market, layers, and fancy). Bill of sale/receipt must be included with check-in documentation. The Superintendent will report any discrepancies to the Livestock Committee and the Fair Manager.
7. Turkeys and waterfowl must be banded for identification before caging on entry day. Bands MUST be done prior to arriving. Banding information and documentation must be given to the Superintendent at weigh-in.
8. Management Records are mandatory for all youth who will be in the auction. This is a market project, so every age is required to complete the same format. Poultry exhibitors must exhibit a completed feed record in order to sell their project at auction. Official Feed Documentation available at the Fairgrounds Office.
9. Weight classes will be determined when birds are weighed in at the fair. **Weight classes will be strictly enforced.**
***Recommended at time of entries to also enter in next weight class to ensure your market project can be exhibited. (Example: Enter Cornish hens and Broiler classes.)**
10. **When weighing in at Fair, exhibitors will only be allowed to weigh in one extra bird.** (*Exhibitors are encouraged to do in case of an unforeseen event that may arise.) **MAR-KET POULTRY will have weigh in signs with Exhibitor name and poultry weights on each pen. Superintendent will weigh in one extra bird for market pens. Pens must be sorted and ready for weigh in to keep the process from being held up. Superintendent will NOT weigh in pens until they are completely ready. It is not the Superintendents responsibility to give exhibitors weights to match proper pens. Exhibitors should be prepared at check in. Exhibitor is responsible for handling their own birds for the superintendent at weigh in.**
11. Any market chicken, turkey, and waterfowl that are underweight will be given a C pen. Exhibitors will be able to show but will not be eligible for auction. No Hens under 14lbs, no Toms under 20lbs, and any market project that is underweight will not be eligible for auction. Turkeys not weighing the minimum

- weight will not be sold.
12. All poultry must be presented clean and dry for proper inspection by the superintendent before caging on entry day. Weigh-in personnel may refuse to check in poultry until the birds are in acceptable condition. No exception to this rule!
 13. No unhealthy birds, including those with lice, mites, broken wings, tows, or exposed wound will be allowed to enter the fair. They will be sent home at the discretion of the Superintendent and the **Livestock Committee** at check in.
 14. Proper show attire will be nice jeans or pants, dress shirt (**shirts cannot have any writing on them**), or lab coat, dark shoes. Black pants and white tops or lab coats are highly recommended.
 15. Each exhibitor is expected to show and sell their own poultry projects. If an exhibitor is unable to do so for any reason, prior notification and approval must be made to the poultry superintendent.
 16. Youth exhibitors in the poultry division are required to serve a minimum of 2 hours of barn duty. **Barn Duty is MANDATORY, ALL shifts MUST be covered. Youth MUST be present at assigned shifts.**
 17. Classes may be combined if needed at superintendent discretion.
 18. **All youth exhibitors must feed & water their own animals for the duration of the exhibit. Fresh water and feed must be in place by 9:00am. All pens must be cleaned by 10:00am.**
 19. All feed and shavings shall be furnished by the exhibitor.
 20. Each exhibitor is responsible to provide the appropriate size food and water receptacles in relation to the bird (no glass allowed). Water should be checked during the day and/or exhibitors supply additional water containers. Youth club leaders must oversee that the exhibitors' animals in their own clubs are properly cared for.
 21. All extra exhibitor cages must be removed at the completion of check in.
 22. Exhibitor name tag must remain on cage until released on Sunday.
 23. Youth exhibiting Quail, Pheasants, Pigeons, other must provide their own cages.
 24. If your bird is a flight bird, you are solely responsible for the bird. Wings need to be clipped or kept in cage. If you chose to have your flight bird in the pond you will be responsible for animal and its care, will need to retrieve it for auction, and at the end of fair. If you do not want your flight bird in the pond area, exhibitor is responsible for providing a cage for the bird fair week.
 25. Thank You Notes for prizes, trophies, and buyers must be written and turned in by Friday at noon of fair week to the administrative leader of the club in which each youth is exhibiting. Thank you notes must include contact information such as a phone number for the exhibitor.
 26. The following must be purchased as printed below and proof of purchase must reflect purchase date on document. Pens should consist of the same sex bird. Judge's discretion for DQ if exhibitor exhibits mixed pen (hen/rooster). Must have copy at Fair check in date to check in exhibits. The below dates are recommendations; however, weight determines the class in which the exhibitor will exhibit.
 - a. All other poultry must be purchased by June 1, except market class.
 - b. Market Ducks and geese raised from ducklings and goslings started 16–20 weeks before Fair.
 - c. Broiler Chickens raised from chicks started 8 weeks before Fair.
 - d. Roaster Chickens raised from chicks started 12 weeks before Fair.
 - e. Cornish hens raised from chicks started 4 weeks before Fair.
 - f. Market turkey raised from poults started 20 weeks before Fair.
 27. **Barn Clean Up – the Superintendent will notify each youth club administrative leader when the barn is available and what is expected from each club. It is the club leader's responsibility to set up for their youth exhibitors.**
 28. **Barn Set up takes place the Sunday prior to fair check in. Time TBA.**
 29. **Most accurate schedule based on entries will be posted in the Poultry barn by 7:30am Sunday. Show will NOT begin prior to 9:00am.**
 30. Show of champion exhibitors have until Monday at noon to decide if they do not want to participate. This provides time for competitor next in line to have ample time for preparation for the show.
 31. **All entries must remain in place until 7:00am Sunday. Poultry must be picked up between 7:00am-8:00am and your area must be cleaned. No poultry is to be taken from the grounds before release time without an early release form signed by the Superintendent and the Livestock Committee. It is exhibitors responsibility to clean the pen(s) they used and put them back into the barn after they were cleaned with power washer.**
- PREMIUMS (Department 13 Divisions 1-11):
1st - \$5.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$3.00
- PREMIUMS (Department 13 Division 12):
1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00
- PREMIUMS (Department 13 Divisions 13-14):
1st - \$4.00, 2nd - \$3.00, 3rd - \$2.00

DIVISION 1

MARKET CHICKENS

Grand and Reserve Champion Awards and Rosettes for each class

Honorable mention Rosette for 3rd and 4th place.

1800. Cornish (2lbs-3lbs 6 ounces) – Pen of 4
1801. Broilers (3lbs 7 ounces-7lbs) – Pen of 3
1802. Roasters (7lbs one ounce & up) – Pen of 3

DIVISION 2

MARKET TURKEYS

Grand and Reserve Champion Awards for Hen and Tom

Honorable mention Rosette for 3rd and 4th place.

1805. Breeders (One Tom & One Hen)
1806. Market Hen (14lbs Minimum)
1807. Market Tom (20lbs Minimum)

DIVISION 3

WATERFOWL

Rosettes for Best of Class each class

Grand and Reserve Champion Awards and Rosettes

Honorable mention Rosette for 3rd and 4th place.

1810. Market Ducks (2) – Same Breed/Sex
1811. Duck Meat Pen (Non-Market)
1812. Duck Exhibition (Show/Hobby)
1813. Pair of Ducks (Same Breed)
1814. Market Geese (2) – Same Breed/Sex
1815. Geese Meat Pen (Non-Market)
1816. Geese Exhibition (Show/Hobby)

DIVISION 4

PIGEONS

Rosettes for Best of Class each class

Rosette for Best of Show in division

1817. Single Male
1818. Single Female
1819. Pigeon Pair
1820. Market Squab (Pen of 4)

DIVISION 5

PHEASANTS/QUAIL/OTHER POULTRY

Rosettes for Best of Class each class

1823. Single Male
1824. Single Female
1825. Pair

DIVISION 6

STANDARD BREEDS

Rosettes for Best of Class each class

1828. One Pullet – Standard
1829. One Hen – Standard
1830. One Cockerel – Standard
1831. One Cock – Standard
1832. Pair – Hen and Rooster

DIVISION 7

BANTAMS

Rosettes for Best of Class each class

1835. One Pullet – Bantam
1836. One Hen – Bantam
1837. One Cockerel – Bantam
1838. One Cock – Bantam

1839. Pair – Hen and Rooster

DIVISION 8

PRODUCTION BREEDS

Rosettes for Best of Class each class

1843. Pen of 3 Laying Pullets – Same Breed, Less than 1yr Old

1844. Pen of 3 Hens – Same Breed, Less than 1yr Old

1845. Breeding Flock – 2 Females and 1 Male, Same Breed, 1yr & Older

DIVISION 9

BARNYARD CHICKENS

Enter crossbred bantams or large fowl in these classes, exhibitor should know the crosses

Award for Best of Class

1848. Mixed Female

1849. Mixed Male

DIVISION 10

EGGS

Egg auction money is donated back to the Poultry Barn

Award and Rosette for Grand Champion Eggs

Rosette for Reserve Champion Eggs

1853. Market Poultry Eggs (1 Dozen)

DIVISION 11

DUAL PURPOSE – LAYING & MEAT BIRDS

Cannot be same birds as laying exhibit

Rosette for Best of Class each class

1856. One Cockerel and One Pullet

1857. One Cock and One Hen

1858. Pen of 2 – Same Breed/Sex

DIVISION 12

SHOWMANSHIP

Best Overall Showman Award Trophy/Rosette

Award/Rosette for 1st place each class

Medals to 2nd-5th places

1850. Beginner 6-7

1851. Junior 8-11

1852. Intermediate 12-15

1853. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 13

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

Best Overall Award

Rosettes for Best of Class each class

1860. Beginner 6-7

1861. Junior 8-11

1862. Intermediate 12-15

1863. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 14

MANAGEMENT RECORDS

Best Overall Award

Rosettes for Best of Class each class

1870. Beginner 6-7

1871. Junior 8-11

1872. Intermediate 12-15

1873. Senior 16-21

DEPARTMENT 14 OPEN RABBITS

Ann Marie Locke
Superintendent
517-983-8303

OPEN RABBITS ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair from 5:00pm-7:00pm

OPEN RABBIT SHOW: Sunday of Fair following Youth Rabbit Show

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds Sunday after Fair between 6:00am -8:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

Open Rabbits Rules

1. All entries limited to Michigan residents only.
2. All open class exhibitors must pay a \$1.00 cage fee per animal to the Fair Office, even if they are entered in Youth division.
3. All entries will be judged per ARBA standards.
4. No person may enter more than two rabbits per class.
5. **All Rabbit exhibitors must furnish their own feed, watering dishes, and cages for the duration of the exhibit.**
6. Any animals showing signs of disease will be removed.
7. No open advertising, selling, or breeding of animals during fair week.
8. All participants must contact the superintendent by July 8th to reserve space.
9. All pen space must be cleaned before departure on August 24th.
10. Contact superintendent for most accurate show start time.
11. **There will be a three-animal minimum for any award given.**

PREMIUMS (All Classes):

1st - \$5.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$3.00, 4th - \$2.00, 5th - \$1.00

DIVISION 1

RABBITS, ANY BREED

150. Buck (Over 8 Months Old)

151. Doe (Over 8 Months Old)

152. Buck (Commercial Breed)

153. Doe (Commercial Breed)

154. Buck (3-6 Months Old)

155. Doe (3-6 Months Old)

DEPARTMENT 15 YOUTH/4-H RABBITS/CAVY/POCKET

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517-983-8303

YOUTH RABBITS ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair (check in day) from 5:00pm-7:00pm

YOUTH RABBIT SHOW: Sunday of Fair beginning

at 8:00am (registration due by 7:45am)

MARKET RECORDS & EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

JUDGING: Following Youth and Open Judging on Sunday

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds on the Sunday after fair from 6:00am-8:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

Youth Rabbits/Cavy/Pocket Pets Rules

1. There will be 2 workshops before fair and it is MANDATORY to attend one of them to show. One will be Sunday, May 3 from 2-4pm and the other will be Monday, May 18 from 6-8 pm at the rabbit barn. One entry per exhibitor per class, more than one class can be entered. Purchased market in possession by August 2nd.
2. If exhibit tags are not completely filled out the exhibit may not be accepted. All final decisions to be determined by livestock committee, board and fairgrounds manager.
3. Exhibits are recommended to be purebred stock. (if not purebred will be judged as the breed that it most resembles.)
4. Judging will be by ARBA standards.
5. All rabbits and cavy are required to furnish their own cages, dishes, food and water.
6. \$1.00 manure fee per animal, payable at time of entry.
7. Exhibitors must have all footlockers/totes clearly labeled with their name and need to not exceed 20 inches high.
8. All breeding stock animals (6 and 4 class bucks/does, cavy boar/sow) must be the personal property of the exhibitor and in the sole possession of the exhibitor by May 1st of the current year. The only exception to this is the exhibit of market animals in either market classes or breed classes, i.e. if the exhibitor has a market animal litter mate that they would like to exhibit as breeding stock.
9. Any market project that is underweight will not be eligible for auction
10. Animals will be weighed in at check-in and on show day. Judges may weigh market rabbits according to ARBA standards.
11. Roasters are not to be more than 6 months of age but weigh over 5½ pounds maximum weight of 9 pounds. Market pens and fryers are not to be more than 10 weeks old and weigh between 3½ to 5½ pounds. Stewers have to be over 6 months and over 8 pounds.
12. **Leaders will turn in a list of tattoos for ALL rabbits entered and tag numbers for cavyes entered, this includes breed rabbit/cavyes, market rabbits and showmanship rabbits/cavyes to the superintendent, by July 19th, 2026. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
13. Judges and Livestock Committee decisions are final. NO EXCEPTIONS.
14. Showmanship is mandatory for all youth. If you sign up but do not participate then you

- will forfeit all premiums.
15. All youth participating in market rabbits must complete a management record.
 16. All youth participating in rabbit/cavy breed must complete a breed management record or an education exhibit, if you do not participate then you will forfeit all premiums.
 17. Grand and Reserve Grand Champion market animals must be sold at the auction.
 18. Sale Order for Rabbits (in rotating order each year):
 - a. Grand Champion Pen of 3
 - b. Reserve Champion Pen of 3
 - c. Grand Champion Fryer
 - d. Reserve Champion Fryer
 - e. Grand Champion Roaster
 - f. Reserve Champion Roaster
 - g. Grand Champion Stewer
 - h. Reserve Champion Stewer
 19. All market class participants must be present auction night to sell.
 20. Rabbits cannot be openly sold or advertised for sale or bred during fair week.
 21. All participants must adhere to the by-laws or rules of their respective club and follow all barn rules laid out by the superintendent or will forfeit all premiums and awards.

PREMIUMS (Divisions 1, 2, 7):

1st - \$5.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$3.00

PREMIUMS (Divisions 3, 8):

1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

PREMIUMS (Divisions 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12):

1st - \$4.00, 2nd - \$3.00, 3rd - \$2.00

RABBIT DIVISIONS: 1-6 and 11

CAVY DIVISIONS: 7-10

POCKET PETS DIVISION: 12

DIVISION 1

MARKET RABBITS

Fryer/Roaster cannot be pulled from Pen of 3

Awards and Rosettes for Grand and Reserve Champions in each class 1900, 1901, 1902

1900. Pen of 3
1901. Single Fryer
1902. Single Roaster
1903. Single Stewer

DIVISION 2

RABBIT BREED

Award for winner of each class

Award and Rosette for Best in Show and Reserve in Show Rabbit from division

1906. Six Class Buck
1907. Six Class Doe
1908. Four Class Buck
1909. Four Class Doe

DIVISION 3

RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

Awards for 1st-10th places

Awards for 1st – 10th places

1910. Beginner 6-7
1911. Junior 8-11
1912. Intermediate 12-15
1913. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 4

RABBIT MARKET RECORDS

Rosette for Best of Class in each class

Plaque for Best of Show Division 4

1920. Beginner 6-7
1921. Junior 8-11
1922. Intermediate 12-15
1923. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 5

RABBIT EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

Rosette for Best of Class in each class

Plaque for Best of Show Division 5

1924. Beginner 6-7
1925. Junior 8-11
1926. Intermediate 12-15
1927. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 6

RABBIT BREED MANAGEMENT RECORDS

This division is for breed classes in Division 2

Rosette for Best of Class in each class

Plaque for Best of Show Division 6

1928. Beginner 6-7
1929. Junior 8-11
1930. Intermediate 12-15
1931. Senior 16-21

RABBIT JUDGING SEE DIVISION 11

DIVISION 7

CAVY BREEDS

Award for winner of each class

Award and Rosette for Best in Show Cavy

1932. Boar
1933. Sow

DIVISION 8

CAVY SHOWMANSHIP

Awards for 1st – 10th places

1935. Beginner 6-7
1936. Junior 8-11
1937. Intermediate 12-15
1938. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 9

CAVY EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

Rosette for Best of Class in each class

Plaque for Best of Show Division 9

1945. Beginner 6-7
1946. Junior 8-11
1947. Intermediate 12-15
1948. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 10

CAVY BREED MANAGEMENT RECORDS

Rosette for Best of Class in each class

Plaque for Best of Show Division 10

1950. Beginner 6-7

1951. Junior 8-11
1952. Intermediate 12-15
1953. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 11

RABBIT JUDGING

Rosette for Best of Class in each class

Plaque for Best of Show Division 11

1954. Beginner 6-7
1955. Junior 8-11
1956. Intermediate 12-15
1957. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 12

POCKET PETS

Rosette for Best of Class in each class

Plaque for Best of Show Division 12

1958. Beginner 6-7
1959. Junior 8-11
1960. Intermediate 12-15
1961. Senior 16-21

DEPARTMENT 16 OPEN LIGHT HORSES AND PONIES

Amy Cobb
Superintendent
269-275-5005

All classes are held in Covered Arena, please contact Amy Cobb at (269) 275-5005.

OPEN HORSE & PONY ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair 10:00am-9:00pm

CALHOUN COUNTY DRIVE-IN HITCH SHOW: Sunday of Fair at 9:00am (Grandstand) – See Superintendent, Amy Cobb, for show order.

PONY HITCH SHOW: Thursday of Fair in the Covered Arena. To follow Open Horse Halter Show. Contact Superintendent, Amy Cobb for any questions.

OPEN HALTER CLASSES: Thursday of Fair (Covered Arena) – See Superintendent, Amy Cobb for show order, or contact Superintendent, Amy Cobb for any questions.

SHOWMANSHIP & RIDING CLASSES (Division 8): Classes will be held in the Covered arena on Thursday of Fair.

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds Sunday after Fair between 6:00am -8:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

PLEASE NOTE:

1. **No horses can be shown at the Fair unless entry is made in Fairgrounds Office and stalls are reserved with the superintendent.**
2. No animal can be entered for more than one premium except as herein specified.
3. The age of horses shall be computed from January 1, 2026
4. All horses are to be bedded on wood shavings or similar wood byproduct such as bark. No straw.

5. To prevent any mistake in taking exhibits to the show ring, watch for the calling of classes, schedules, and ring locations.
6. Reservations for open class horse stalls can be taken beginning the 1st Sunday in May at 8:00am by calling the superintendent, Amy Cobb. Box stalls are not guaranteed.
7. Only one premium will be paid on one animal, except in groups.
8. Except for the Drive-In Hitch Show, all horses must be shown and stabled in the Open Horse Barn for the full week of the Fair for premiums to be collected.
9. You may not enter the same horses in farm and hitch classes with the exception of 3 and 4 horse hitches.
10. Absolutely no smoking will be allowed in the livestock barns.
11. Exhibitor must provide proof of Negative Coggins Test upon arrival and have an extra copy for the Superintendents.
12. All stalls **MUST** be cleaned and horses on display by 9:00am daily and **MUST** be cleaned before exhibitor vacates the fair-grounds.
13. **Age of Exhibitor: NO ONE UNDER 6 YEARS OF AGE WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER OR EXHIBIT IN A CLASS.**
14. The age of horses and riders are the current age as of January 1st. No exhibitor under 6 will be allowed to enter or exhibit in a class.

BASIC SAFETY RULES:

1. No riding of horses in barns
2. No cross tying, grooming, or tacking up in walkways
3. Stalls to be cleaned by 9:00am
4. Barns close at 11:00pm, exceptions at superintendent's discretion
5. Unsafe conduct will be reported to the Livestock Committee, following the chain of command
6. ASTM approved helmets required when: riding bareback, English, speed, and at all times for anyone ages 21 and under
7. When working with horses, exhibitors must have closed toe shoes if aged 21 and under
8. Issues will be reported to the superintendent

PREMIUMS (Divisions 1-8):

1st - \$10.00, 2nd - \$8.00, 3rd - \$6.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Division 9 and 10):

1st - \$50.00, 2nd - \$40.00, 3rd - \$30.00, 4th - \$20.00, 5th - \$10.00

DIVISION 1 REGISTERED HAFLINGER

600. Suckling Foal or Stud Colt
601. 2yr Old or Under Gelding
602. 3yr Old or Under Gelding
603. 2yr Old or Under Filly
604. 3yr Old or Under Filly
605. Broodmare with Suckling Foal

DIVISION 2 REGISTERED QUARTER HORSE

610. Suckling Foal or Stud Colt
611. 2yr Old or Under Gelding
612. 3yr Old or Under Gelding
613. 2yr Old or Under Filly
614. 3yr Old or Under Filly
615. Broodmare with Suckling Foal

DIVISION 3

ANY OTHER REGISTERED LIGHT BREED

620. Suckling Foal
621. 2yr Old or Younger Gelding
622. 3yr Old or Over Gelding
623. 2yr Old or Younger Mare
624. 3yr Old or Over Mare
625. Broodmare with Suckling Foal

DIVISION 4

GRADE LIGHT HORSES

630. Suckling Foal
631. Gelding (Any Age)
632. Mare (Any Age)
633. Broodmare with Suckling Foal

DIVISION 5

PONIES 39" TO 48"

635. Suckling Foal
636. 2yr Old or Younger Stallion
637. 3yr Old or Older Stallion
638. 2yr Old or Younger Gelding
639. 3yr Old or Older Gelding
640. 2yr Old or Younger Mare
641. 3yr Old or Older Mare
642. Broodmare with Suckling Foal

DIVISION 6

PONIES OVER 48"

645. Suckling Foal
646. 2yr Old or Younger Stallion
647. 3yr Old or Older Stallion
648. 2yr Old or Younger Gelding
649. 3yr Old or Older Gelding
650. 2yr Old or Younger Mare
651. 3yr Old or Older Mare
652. Broodmare with Suckling Foal

DIVISION 7

OPEN LIGHT HORSE & PONY SHOWMANSHIP (shown in Covered Arena)

675. Beginner (Ages 6-7)
676. Junior (Ages 8-11)
677. Intermediate (Ages 12-15)
678. Senior (Ages 16-21)
679. Adult 22 & over

DIVISION 8

OPEN RIDING

Exhibitors 20yrs old and younger require adult supervision, both draft and light horses allowed in.

680. Pony Pleasure (Ages 6-9) **(shown in Covered Arena on Thursday)**

681. Lead Line (Ages 6-9) **(shown in Covered Arena on Thursday)**

682. Western Pleasure (Ages 6-21) **(Sunday of Fair, during Hitch Show)**

683. Western Pleasure (Ages 22 & over) **(Sunday of Fair, during Hitch Show)**

684. English Pleasure (Ages 6-21) **(Sunday of Fair, during Hitch Show)**

685. English Pleasure (Ages 22 & over) **(Sunday of Fair, during Hitch Show)**

DIVISION 9

PONY HITCH (Thursday of Fair to follow halter classes)

740. Mini Team 38" & Under on Wagon
741. Pony Team on Wagon (Adult Driver)
742. Senior Pony 39"-48" Cart (Age 21+)
743. Senior Pony 49" & Over Cart (Age 21+)
744. Junior Pony 39"-48" Cart (Ages 6-20, with Adult Rider)
745. Junior Pony Wagon (Age 6-20, with Adult Rider)
746. Pony Team Implement (Age 6-20, with Adult

Supervision)

747. Pony Pair in Harness

DIVISION 10

HAFLINGER, FJORD, OTHER DRAFT PONY (49 inches and over)

To be held during Sunday Hitch Show

755. Draft Pony Cart (Age 21+)
756. Draft Pony Cart (Age 15-20, with Adult Rider)
757. Draft Pony Cart (Age 9-14, with Adult Rider)
758. Draft Pony Unicorn
759. Draft Pony Four Hitch
760. Draft Pony Hitch on Wagon (Age 21+)
761. Draft Pony Hitch on Wagon (Age 9-20, with Adult Rider)

DEPARTMENT 17 YOUTH/4-H / OPEN MINIATURE HORSES, DONKEYS & MULES

**Johanna Wilson
Superintendent
269-967-5340**

YOUTH MINI HORSES, DONKEYS & MULES ARRIVAL: Saturday before Fair from 2:00pm-8:00pm

YOUTH MINI HORSES, DONKEYS & MULES

SHOW: Sunday of Fair beginning at 9:00am
(Covered Arena)

1. 1. All animals exhibited in the Miniature Horse, Donkey, & Mule Department must be 38" and under at the last mane hair.
2. 2. All youth must enter in showmanship.
3. 3. No stallions unless under one year old.
4. 4. Animals must be at least 3 years old to exhibit in Divisions 4, 8, and 9 (Jumping, Driving, Reinsmanship).
5. 5. Donkeys and mules may exhibit in Divisions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.
6. 6. For all driving classes, certified helmets are strongly recommended, and headers are required.
7. 7. Ground Driving (Division 14) is a patterned class judged 60% on the exhibitor and 40% on the horse. The horse is not hooked to a cart. Long lines are required. A certified helmet is strongly recommended. A header must assist the exhibitor in entering and exiting the arena.

PREMIUMS (Division 2):

1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

PREMIUMS (Divisions 1, 3-9):

A - \$10.00, B - \$8.00, C - \$6.00

PREMIUMS (Divisions 10-13):

A - \$4.00, B - \$3.00, C - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Divisions 14):

1st - \$50.00, 2nd - \$40.00, 3rd - \$30.00, 4th - \$20.00, 5th - \$10.00

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DIVISION 1 HALTER

Miniature Horses Only

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3805. Geldings 34" & Over, Halter
- 3806. Geldings Under 34", Halter
- 3807. Mares 34" & Over, Halter
- 3808. Mares Under 34", Halter
- Championship Halter*

DIVISION 2 SHOWMANSHIP

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3800. Beginner 6-7
- 3801. Junior 8-11
- 3802. Intermediate 12-15
- 3803. Senior 16-21
- Championship Showmanship*

DIVISION 3 IN-HAND TRAIL

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3815. Beginner 6-7
- 3816. Junior 8-11
- 3817. Intermediate 12-15
- 3818. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 4 IN-HAND HUNTER JUMPING

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3825. Beginner 6-7
- 3826. Junior 8-11
- 3827. Intermediate 12-15
- 3828. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 5 IN-HAND CLOVERLEAF

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3875. Beginner 6-7
- 3876. Junior 8-11
- 3877. Intermediate 12-15
- 3879. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 6 COSTUME

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3820. Beginner 6-7
- 3821. Junior 8-11
- 3822. Intermediate 12-15
- 3823. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 7 LONG-EARS

Miniature Donkeys & Mules Only

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3880. Donkey & Mule Halter
- 3882. Donkey & Mule Driving, animals ages three and up

DIVISION 8 PLEASURE DRIVING

Miniature Horses Only

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3830. Beginner 6-7

- 3831. Junior 8-11
- 3832. Intermediate 12-15
- 3833. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 9 REINSMANSHIP

Miniature Horses Only

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3835. Beginner 6-7
- 3836. Junior 8-11
- 3837. Intermediate 12-15
- 3838. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 10 VERBAL MANAGEMENT RECORDS

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3870. Beginner 6-7
- 3871. Junior 8-11
- 3872. Intermediate 12-15
- 3873. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 11 EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3874. Beginner 6-7
- 3875. Junior 8-11
- 3876. Intermediate 12-15
- 3877. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 12 GROUND DRIVING

Miniature Horses Only

Ribbons to 8 places

- 3889. Beginner 6-7
- 3890. Junior 8-11
- 3891. Intermediate 12-15
- 3892. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 13 MINI HORSE NOTEBOOK

- 3885. Beginner 6-7
- 3886. Junior 8-11
- 3887. Intermediate 12-15
- 3888. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 14 OPEN MINI HORSE SHOW 38" & UNDER

To be shown on Sunday during the Youth Miniature Horse Show. If this is your only Fair entry for a mini, your pony will be housed in Open Draft Horse Barn. See Dept 18 for contact info.

- 3878. Geldings/Stallions 34" & Over
- 3879. Geldings/Stallions Under 34"
- 3880. Mares 34" & Over
- 3881. Mares Under 34"
- 3882. Mini Donkey/Mule Under 38" (any sex)
- 3883. Mini Horse 38" & Under Cart (Age 18 & Under)
- 3884. Mini Horse 38" & Under Cart (Age 19 & Over)

DEPARTMENT 18 OPEN DRAFT HORSES

**Amy Cobb
Superintendent
269-275-5005**

OPEN DRAFT HORSE ARRIVAL: First Saturday before fair between 10:00am-9:00pm

CALHOUN COUNTY DRIVE-IN HITCH SHOW: Sunday of fair at 9:00am (Grandstand) – See superintendent for show order

OPEN DRAFT HORSE HALTER CLASSES: Thursday of fair (Covered Arena) – See superintendent for show order

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds Sunday after fair between 6:00am-8:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

1. No horses can be shown at the Fair unless entry is made in Fairgrounds Office and stalls are reserved with the superintendent.

2. No animal can be entered for more than one premium except as herein specified.

3. All horses must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor at the time of entry.

4. The age of horses shall be computed from January 1, 2026

5. All horses are to be bedded on wood shavings or similar wood byproduct such as bark. No straw.

6. To prevent any mistake in taking exhibits to the show ring, watch for the calling of classes, schedules, and ring locations.

7. Horse exhibitors are instructed that their exhibit should not be trucked or shipped to the CCAIS unless entries have been accepted and space allowed by Superintendent.

8. Reservations for open class horse stalls can be taken beginning the 1st Sunday in May at 8:00am by calling the Superintendent. Box stalls are not guaranteed.

9. Only one premium will be paid on one animal, except in groups.

10. Except for the Drive-In Hitch Show, all horses must be shown and stabled in the Open Horse Barn for the full week of the Fair for premiums to be collected.

11. You may not enter the same horses in farm and hitch classes with the exception of 3 and 4 horse hitches.

12. Absolutely no smoking will be allowed in the livestock barns.

13. Exhibitor must provide proof of Negative Coggins Test upon arrival and must have an extra copy for the Superintendents.

14. All stalls MUST be cleaned and horses on display by 9:00am daily and MUST be cleaned before exhibitor vacates the fairgrounds.

15. Age of Exhibitor: NO ONE UNDER 6 YEARS OF AGE WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER OR EXHIBIT IN A CLASS.

16. Draft Ponies need to be 49 inches & over.

PREMIUMS (Divisions 1-4):

1st - \$15.00, 2nd - \$13.00, 3rd - \$11.00, 4th - \$10.00

PREMIUMS (Division 5):

1st - \$10.00, 2nd - \$9.00, 3rd - \$8.00, 4th - \$7.00

PREMIUMS (Divisions 6-7):

1st - \$50.00, 2nd - \$40.00, 3rd - \$30.00, 4th - \$20.00, 5th - \$10.00

PREMIUMS (Division 8):

1st - \$8.00, 2nd - \$5.00, 3rd - \$3.00

DIVISION 1

BELGIANS

- 800. Suckling Colt
- 801. Yearling Stallion
- 802. 2yr Old Stallion
- 803. Suckling Filly
- 804. Yearling Filly
- 805. 2yr Old Filly
- 806. 3yr Old Filly
- 807. 4yr & Older Mare
- 808. Broodmare with Suckling Foal
Champion Filly
Grand Champion Belgian
- 809. Get of Sire (3 Animals Sired by Same Stallion)
- 810. Breeder Herd (Stallion and 3 Mares)
- 811. Produce of Mare (2 Animals out of Same Mare)

DIVISION 2

CLYDESDALES/SHIRES

- 815. Suckling Colt
- 816. Yearling Stallion
- 817. 2yr Old Stallion
- 818. Suckling Filly
- 819. Yearling Filly
- 820. 2yr Old Filly
- 821. 3yr Old Filly
- 822. 4yr & Older Mare
- 823. Broodmare with Suckling Foal
Champion Filly
Grand Champion Clydesdale/Shire
- 824. Get of Sire (3 Animals Sired by Same Stallion)
- 825. Breeder Herd (Stallion and 3 Mares)
- 826. Produce of Mare (2 Animals out of Same Mare)

DIVISION 3

PERCHERONS

- 830. Suckling Colt
- 831. Yearling Stallion
- 832. 2yr Old Stallion
- 833. Suckling Filly
- 834. Yearling Filly
- 835. 2yr Old Filly
- 836. 3yr Old Filly
- 837. 4yr & Older Mare
- 838. Broodmare with Suckling Foal
Champion Filly
Grand Champion Percheron
- 839. Get of Sire (3 Animals Sired by Same Stallion)
- 840. Breeder Herd (Stallion and 3 Mares)
- 841. Produce of Mare (2 Animals out of Same Mare)

DIVISION 4

GRADE DRAFT HORSES

- 845. Suckling Colt
- 846. Yearling Stallion
Champion Stallion
- 847. 2yr Old or Younger Gelding
- 848. 3yr-5yr Old Gelding
- 849. 6yr-9yr Old Gelding
- 850. 10yr & Older Gelding
Champion Gelding
- 851. Suckling Filly
- 852. Yearling Filly
- 853. 2yr Old Filly
- 854. 3yr Old Filly
- 855. 4yr & Older Mare
- 856. Broodmare with Suckling Foal
Champion Filly
Grand Champion Grade Draft Horse
- 857. Get of Sire (3 Animals Sired by Same Stallion)
- 858. Breeder Herd (Stallion and 3 Mares)
- 859. Produce of Mare (2 Animals out of Same Mare)
- 860. Best Mare & Foal (no premiums)

DIVISION 5

DRAFT SHOWMANSHIP

- 865. Junior 8-14
- 866. Intermediate 15-21
- 867. Senior 22+

DIVISION 6

OPEN DRAFT HITCH SHOW (SUNDAY)

Exhibitors under 20yrs old require adult rider

- 870. Men's Cart
- 871. Ladies Cart
- 872. Junior Cart 9-14
- 873. Tandem Cart
- 874. Junior Hitch on Wagon 9-20
- 875. Two-Horse Hitch
- 876. Unicorn Hitch
- 877. Four-Horse Hitch
- 878. Junior Cart 15-20

DIVISION 7

FARM STYLE CLASSES

Exhibitors under 20yrs old require adult rider

- 880. Farm Style Cart
- 881. Farm Style Youth Cart 6-21
- 882. Farm Style Four Abreast Wagon
- 883. Farm Style Hitch on Wagon
- 884. Farm Style Hitch on Wagon-Youth Driver

DIVISION 8

STALL DECORATIONS

Premiums in memory of Claude VanArman

- 890. Best Kept/Decorated Stall in the Open Horse Barn

**DEPARTMENT 19
YOUTH/4-H DRAFT HORSES**

Randy Combs
Superintendent
269-781-2965

4-H/YOUTH DRAFT HORSES & DRAFT PONIES

ARRIVAL: First Saturday before fair between 12:00pm-8:00pm

4-H/YOUTH DRAFT HORSES & DRAFT PONIES

RECORDS & EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT JUDGING:
Saturday before Fair from 9:00am-12:00pm (Draft Barn)

4-H/YOUTH DRAFT HORSES & DRAFT PONIES

SHOW:

Tuesday of Fair beginning at 8:00am (Draft Barn and Covered Arena)
Tuesday of Fair at 9:00am with Open Draft Horses (Covered Arena)

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds Sunday after Fair between 6:00am -8:00am. Early removal is not permitted without a signed Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office).

1. All exhibitors must enter in Division 2 (Showmanship)
2. All exhibitors must enter in Division 3 (Fitting & Showing) or Division 6 (Harnessing)
3. Division 5 Pulling Contest:
 - a. To be held in conjunction with County Day Pull on Saturday (all rules from County Day Pull apply)
 - b. This Class can only be entered with the approval of all draft horse leaders and parents written approval.
 - c. Must have responsible adult hookers.
 - d. May trailer in for this event only.
 - e. Draft Ponies need to be 49 inches & over.

PREMIUMS (Divisions 1, 8):

A - \$4.00, B - \$3.00, C - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Division 2):

1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

PREMIUMS (Divisions 3, 5-7):

A - \$10.00, B - \$8.00, C - \$6.00

PREMIUMS (Division 4):

1st - \$15.00, 2nd - \$13.00, 3rd - \$11.00, 4th - \$9.00, 5th - \$7.00

DIVISION 1

RECORDS MANAGEMENT

Award for 1st place
Rosettes for 1st-12th placings
1700. Beginner 8-11
1701. Intermediate 12-15
1702. Senior 16-21

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**DIVISION 2
SHOWMANSHIP**

Award for 1st place
Rosettes for 1st-12th placings
1709. Beginner 8-11
1710. Intermediate 12-15
1711. Junior 16-21

**DIVISION 3
FITTING & SHOWING**

Award for 1st place
Rosettes for 1st-12th placings
1720. Beginner 8-11
1721. Intermediate 12-15
1722. Senior 16-21

**DIVISION 4
HALTER, CART, TEAM**

All exhibitors require adult rider, see superintendent for class schedule
Award for 1st place
Rosettes for 1st-12th placings
1723. Halter Class
1724. Pony Halter
1725. Junior Cart 9-14
1726. Junior Cart 15-21
1727. Pony Junior Cart 9-21
1728. Junior Team 21 yrs & Under
1729. Pony Junior Team 21 yrs & Under
1730. Farm Style Youth Cart 9-21

**DIVISION 5
PULLING CONTEST**

1731. Farm Style Team (21 & under)
1732. Pulling

**DIVISION 6
HARNESSING**

See superintendent for judging guidelines
1733. Beginner 8-11
1734. Intermediate 12-15
1735. Senior 16-21

**DIVISION 7
RIDING**

Rosettes for 1st-12th placings
1740. Beginner 8-11
1741. Intermediate 12-15
1742. Senior 16-21

**DIVISION 8
EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT**

Guidelines will be available through the leaders
Rosette for Best of Division in each class
1743. Beginner 8-11
1744. Intermediate 12-15
1745. Senior 16-21

**DEPARTMENT 20
YOUTH/4-H PLEASURE HORSES**

**Hallie Woods
Superintendent
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YOUTH PLEASURE HORSE ARRIVAL: First Saturday before fair between Noon and 8:00 PM

**YOUTH PLEASURE HORSE NOTEBOOK
(management records) JUDGING:** First Saturday before fair between 9:00 AM and Noon (Covered Arena)

YOUTH PLEASURE HORSE VERBAL RECORDS:
Will be held in the Youth Pleasure Horse Barn at the youth's horse stall. Date(s) and sign-ups for interviews will be announced.

YOUTH PLEASURE HORSE SHOWS: Monday through Thursday, beginning each day at 9:00 AM (Koster Horse Arena). Presentation of Colors will begin at 8:30 AM.

4-H CLOVERBUD SHOW: Saturday of Fair, not to start prior to 12:00pm.

ANIMAL RELEASE: Animals may be removed from the fairgrounds Sunday after Fair, beginning at 6:00 AM. Early removal is not permitted without a signed and approved Early Release Form (available online or at the Fairgrounds Office). Horses attending the State 4-H Horse Show must turn in an Animal Release Form by Wednesday before Fair, at 8:00 PM. If permission is given, only the horse(s) that the exhibitor is showing at fair may have a late arrival on Sunday of Fair.

ENTRY INFORMATION:

1. All classes are due to the Fairgrounds Office (online) by June 12, 2026.
2. Only immediate family members may share a horse (i.e. siblings).
3. Youth exhibitors may only show one horse in youth classes for the week.
4. Only the exhibitor(s) showing a horse may ride the horse during fair week. Exceptions may be on a case-by-case basis by the superintendent.
5. Approved ASTM/SEI helmets must be worn by all youth exhibitors in Hunt Seat, Saddle Seat, Jumping, Dressage, Bareback, and Gymkhana classes and must be secured properly.
6. Exhibitors may walk/trot a horse for 2 years then must move up to walk/trot/canter. Exhibitors that are unable to canter may show in *8-21 (see rule 16) walk/trot classes with their leaders and the Superintendents' approval. These exhibitors must compete in their Walk/Trot/Canter age group Showmanship. They may not show in Walk/Trot showmanship classes.
7. Walk/Trot riders may only enter Walk/Trot classes including Showmanship, Dressage and Walk/

Trot Over Ground Poles.

8. Dressage (even years): May only enter one class in each. If a horse and rider placed 1st – 3rd in a class with more than 3 exhibitors the previous year, they must move up at least one level. Once a horse and rider move up, they may not move back down levels.

9. Dressage Test of Choice: Only Walk/Trot/Canter riders may enter this class. Exhibitors must choose out of 4 provided test for each English and Western and declare the chosen test by Saturday prior to fair to their leader.

10. Jumping: May only enter one class

11. Costume Class: Participants may have an adult header (over 18) as needed. A helmet must be worn if riding Bareback. May only participate in 1 Costume Class.

12. Classes will be guided by 4-H rules-MI State MSU.

13. Barn rules must be signed and followed to show at fair.

14. The Superintendent reserves the right to eliminate, combine, change classes, or alter the show schedule as needed.

15. Please note, if there is a lack of participation in aged classes, superintendent's discretion to combine classes with 1 premium.

16. * This class will be for riders that have shown for more than 2 years but are not ready to Walk/Trot/Canter. Riders in this class must be approved by their leader and Superintendent.

Aggression (verbal or physical) towards judges, exhibitors, visitors, or volunteers will NOT be tolerated. Any instances will be brought to the superintendent, fair manager, and fair board as necessary. See fair board anti-bullying policy.

PREMIUMS (Division 1, Class 1600):

A: \$10.00 / B: \$8.00 / C: \$6.00

PREMIUMS (Division 1):

1st: \$7.00 / 2nd: \$6.00 / 3rd: \$5.00 / 4th: \$4.00 / 5th: \$3.00 / 6th: \$2.00 / 7th: \$1.00

PREMIUMS (Division 2 and 3):

A: \$4.00 / B: \$3.00 / C: \$2.00

**DIVISION 1: SHOWMANSHIP AND RIDING
CLASSES (Showmanship is Mandatory)**

Monday of Fair 9:00 AM

1600. Animal Exhibit

1601. Walk Trot Western Showmanship 16-21

1602. Walk Trot Western Showmanship 13-15

1603. Walk Trot Western Showmanship 8-12

See Rule #6 before signing up for W/T/C classes below.

1604. Western Showmanship (W/T/C Riders only) 16-21

1605. Western Showmanship (W/T/C Riders only) 13-15

1606. Western Showmanship (W/T/C Riders only) 8-12

1607. Walk Trot English Showmanship 16-21

1608. Walk Trot English Showmanship 13-15

1609. Walk Trot English Showmanship 8-12

See Rule #6 before signing up for W/T/C classes below.

1610. English Showmanship (W/T/C Riders only) 16-21

- 1611. English Showmanship (W/T/C Riders only) 13-15
- 1612. English Showmanship (W/T/C Riders only) 8-12
- 1613. English/ Western Showmanship 6-7
Barn Royalty Showmanship
- 1614. Hunt Seat Pleasure 16-21
- 1615. Hunt Seat Pleasure 13-15
- 1616. Hunt Seat Pleasure 8-12
- 1617. Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Pleasure 16-21
- 1618. Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Pleasure 13-15
- 1619. Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Pleasure 8-12
- 1620. Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Pleasure 6-7
- 1621. * (Rule 16) Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Pleasure 8-21
- 1622. Hunt Seat Equitation 16-21
- 1623. Hunt Seat Equitation 13-15
- 1624. Hunt Seat Equitation 8-12
- 1625. Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Equitation 16-21
- 1626. Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Equitation 13-15
- 1627. Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Equitation 8-12
- 1628. Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Equitation 6-7
- 1629. * (Rule 16) Walk/Trot Hunt Seat Equitation 8-21

Tuesday of Fair 9:00 AM

- 1630. Dressage Intro Level, Test A 16-21
- 1631. Dressage Intro Level, Test A 13-15
- 1632. Dressage Intro Level, Test A 8-12
- 1633. Dressage Intro Level, Test A W/T 16-21
- 1634. Dressage Intro Level, Test A W/T 13-15
- 1635. Dressage Intro Level, Test A W/T 8-12
- 1636. Dressage Intro Level, Test A W/T 6-7
- 1637. * (Rule 16) Dressage Intro Level, Test A W/T 8-21
- 1638. Dressage Test of Choice (English or Western) 8-21
- 1639. Saddle Seat Pleasure 8-21
- 1640. Saddle Seat Equitation 8-21
- 1641. Trail 16-21
- 1642. Trail 13-15
- 1643. Trail 8-12
- 1644. Walk/ Trot Trail 16-21
- 1645. Walk/ Trot Trail 13-15
- 1646. Walk/ Trot Trail 8-12
- 1647. Walk/ Trot Trail 6-7
- 1648. * (Rule 16) Walk/ Trot Trail 8-21

Wednesday of Fair 9:00 AM

- 1649. Western Pleasure 16-21
- 1650. Western Pleasure 13-15
- 1651. Western Pleasure 8-12
- 1652. Walk/Trot Western Pleasure 16-21
- 1653. Walk/Trot Western Pleasure 13-15
- 1654. Walk/Trot Western Pleasure 8-12
- 1655. Walk/Trot Western Pleasure 6-7
- 1656. * (Rule 16) Walk/Trot Western Pleasure 8-21
- 1657. Western Horsemanship 16-21
- 1658. Western Horsemanship 13-15
- 1659. Western Horsemanship 8-12
- 1660. Walk/ Trot Western Horsemanship 16-21
- 1661. Walk/ Trot Western Horsemanship 13-15
- 1662. Walk/ Trot Western Horsemanship 8-12
- 1663. Walk/ Trot Western Horsemanship 6-7
- 1664. * (Rule 16) Walk/ Trot Western Horsemanship 8-21
- 1665. Western Reining Pattern 1 16-21
- 1666. Western Reining Pattern 1 13-15
- 1667. Western Reining Pattern 1 8-12
- 1668. Walk/Trot Pattern 16-21
- 1669. Walk/Trot Pattern 13-15
- 1670. Walk/Trot Pattern 8-12
- 1671. Walk/Trot Pattern 6-7
- 1672. * (Rule 16) Walk/Trot Pattern 8-21
- 1673. Bareback Equitation 16-21
- 1674. Bareback Equitation 13-15

- 1675. Bareback Equitation 8-12
- Thursday of Fair 9:00 AM**
- 1676. Pole Bending 16-21 All in open
- 1677. Pole Bending 13-15
- 1678. Pole Bending 8-12
- 1679. Walk/ Trot Pole Bending 16-21
- 1680. Walk/ Trot Pole Bending 13-15
- 1681. Walk/ Trot Pole Bending 8-12
- 1682. Walk/ Trot Pole Bending 6-7
- 1683. * (Rule 16) Walk/ Trot Pole Bending 8-21
- 1684. Keyhole 16-21
- 1685. Keyhole 13-15
- 1686. Keyhole 8-12
- 1687. Walk/Trot Keyhole 16-21
- 1688. Walk/Trot Keyhole 13-15
- 1689. Walk/Trot Keyhole 8-12
- 1690. Walk/Trot Keyhole 6-7
- 1691. * (Rule 16) Walk/Trot Keyhole 8-21
- 1692. Indiana Flag Race 16-21
- 1693. Indiana Flag Race 13-15
- 1694. Indiana Flag Race 8-12
- 1695. Walk/Trot Indiana Flag Race 16-21
- 1696. Walk/Trot Indiana Flag Race 13-15
- 1697. Walk/Trot Indiana Flag Race 8-12
- 1698. Walk/Trot Indiana Flag Race 6-7
- 1699. * (Rule 16) Walk/Trot Indiana Flag 8-21
- 1700. Cloverleaf 16-21
- 1701. Cloverleaf 13-15
- 1702. Cloverleaf 8-12
- 1703. Walk/Trot Cloverleaf 16-21
- 1704. Walk/Trot Cloverleaf 13-15
- 1705. Walk/Trot Cloverleaf 8-12
- 1706. Walk/Trot Cloverleaf 6-7
- 1707. * (Rule 16) Walk/Trot Cloverleaf 8-21
- 1708. Two-Person Relay
- 1709. Walk/Trot Two-Person Relay

Friday of Fair

- 1710. Costume Class Individual 6-21
- 1711. Costume Class Group 6-21

DIVISION 2: VERBAL RECORDS (Mandatory)

- 1712. Beginner 6-7
- 1713. Junior 8-12
- 1714. Intermediate 13-15
- 1715. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 3: NOTEBOOK (MANAGEMENT RECORDS)

- 1716. Beginner 6-7
- 1717. Junior 8-12
- 1718. Intermediate 13-15
- 1719. Senior 16-21

DEPARTMENT 21 YOUTH/4-H DOGS

**Nancy Gallant
Superintendent
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YOUTH DOG NOTEBOOK JUDGING: Saturday before Fair from 9:00am-12:00pm

YOUTH DOG SHOW: Tuesday of Fair beginning at 9:00am (Infield)

1. All dogs to be exhibited Fair week must have their current license tag, rabies vaccination, DHLPP and Kennel Cough vaccines to compete. Dogs must be free of parasites to compete fair week. Random veterinarian checks

may be performed. Proper documentation must be provided to club leaders and be available to the Superintendent the week of fair to be able to exhibit. Documentation must be on file prior to showing at fair.

2. All entries must be completed online by June 13, 2026.
3. Show of Champion exhibitors have until Wednesday at noon to decide they do not want to participate. This provides time for the competitor next in line to have ample time for preparation for the show.
4. Dogs must be 9 months old by fair in order to be exhibited and must be one year old to be exhibited in agility. Dogs being shown in Agility must have exhibited the previous year in obedience at the Calhoun County Fair and received a qualifying score in obedience in order to participate in agility for the current fair year. Scoresheet from previous year must be submitted to the Superintendent prior to showing in agility.
5. Dogs being used for fair must reside with or be owned by youth exhibiting said dog. Administrative leader of each club must be informed of what dog is being used by each exhibitor by May 1st. In case of emergency (illness, death, sold, etc.) a substitution may be approved by club leader with proper documentation (documentation from veterinarian must stay on file for fair week) and be given to the Superintendent if it happens after the close of entries.
6. Exhibitors will be responsible for the care and cleanup of their dog(s). All dog exhibitors at the Fair are responsible for set up/tear down, as well as Agility set up/tear down if participating. Failure to do so may result in forfeit of ribbons, awards, and premium money. Each exhibitor must provide the proper equipment to exhibit at Fair. (No correction collars or pinch collars).
7. Each exhibitor must work and train their dog. A maximum of 2 dogs will be allowed, as long as the exhibitor has trained all said dogs and each dog falls into a separate division.
8. Exhibitors consist of youth ages 6-21 by January 1st of current year.
9. All exhibitors are required to show in one Obedience class per dog and one Showmanship class per dog.
10. Exhibitor's dogs will be kept at the Fair each day of showing until check out time. They will be brought in, exhibited and taken home on show day.
11. An exhibitor must notify Superintendent at check-in, if your female is in season, if females are pregnant, or dog is lame/sick, etc. the day of judging.
12. Any exhibitor and/or dog who has paid a fee for professional training for agility, rally, or obedience degrees/titles in AKC, UKC, or any other organization other than 4H or has shown in the entered agility/ rally/ obedience/ showmanship from previous years, shall

- enter in the experienced class (B). In order to advance to next level of each performance event the exhibitor must provide proof of three documents showing qualifying scores at the time of entry completion. This is required for obedience, rally, and agility. Scoresheets from previous three qualifying scores must be submitted to prove class eligibility. Failure to submit information from any previous experience may result in rescinding of awards due to falsifying entry information by withholding competition records. Rescinding awards is the result of competition in an incorrect class to begin with. A vs B class constitutes for any previous experience listed but not limited to: previous 4H/youth fair dog experience, AKC events, UKC events, matches/practice events, and training classes of any kind.
13. Any exhibitor severely disciplining or abusing their dogs will be immediately dismissed from the show by the Superintendent.
 14. In the event of aggressive behavior, the Superintendent will determine the eligibility of the dog to continue to be shown that day. Any dog that bites at a Fair will be dismissed.
 15. Any dog that the Superintendent deems unsafe will be unable to exhibit at the fair.
 16. Notebook and Three-Dimensional exhibits must follow guidelines available at the fair office and will be judged on nonlivestock judging day.
 17. An Educational Notebook is MANDATORY for all exhibitors to be able to show exhibitors dogs in Performance events at the Fair along with the Dog Project form available at the Fair office and will be judged on nonlivestock judging day.
 18. Proper dress attire is to be worn by all exhibitors in the show ring. No advertising on clothes/leashes. Detailed Dress Code available at the Fair office.
 19. An exhibitor may exhibit his/her animal in only one Obedience Class, one Showmanship Class, one Agility Class, and one Rally Class. All dogs being exhibited must be exhibited in one obedience class to be eligible to exhibit in other Divisions of competition.
 20. **NO professional grooming. This is the youth's project to groom/bathe exhibits.**
 21. Thank You Notes to trophy sponsors must be written and turned in by Friday at noon of fair week to the administrative leader of the club in which each youth is exhibiting.
 22. All exhibitors are to treat each exhibitor, leader and Superintendent with respect at all times. No negative comments, actions, or poor sportsmanship will be tolerated. If a complaint is filed with the Superintendent, the Superintendent and **Livestock Committee** will decide discipline actions regarding future participation and rescinding of awards.
 23. Obedience:
 - a. Scoring is as follows: For all Obedience Classes with 200 points possible:

- b. A Premium - 170-200 points plus 50% of each exercise
 - c. B Premium - 120-169 points
 - d. C Premium - 119 points and below
 - e. Dogs that receive qualifying scores (A premiums) in Obedience in the A category MUST show in the B category in that same division, unless they have received three qualifying scores during the year.
 - f. In order to move to the next level of competition three (3) qualifying scores with documentation (score sheets) are required. This is for any dog event the said dog has received qualifying score, not just at the Calhoun County Fair.
 - g. Dogs receiving B or C premiums may show the next year in the B Division of the same class.
 - h. Beginning Novice levels are NOT eligible for High In Trial Award. Beginning Novice level is designed for beginning dogs with NO experience and/or exhibitor.
 - i. No treats or toys used in Obedience ring.
24. Rally Obedience is a sport in which the dog and handler complete a course that is designed by the judge. The course has 10-20 stations or exercises that can vary with each designed course. There should be a sense of teamwork between dog and handler during the execution of each station and between each station. After the judge's "Forward" order, the team is on its own to complete the entire sequence of number stations correctly. Communication between the dog and handler is encouraged. Unlimited encouragement can be used including talking, praising, clapping hands, and patting legs. Multiple commands or signals may be used. The handler may not touch the dog or make physical corrections, including tight leashes or leash corrections. Loud or harsh commands or intimidating signals will be penalized. A possible perfect score is 100 points. The course is timed, and time will be used as a tiebreaker only. Dogs that receive qualifying scores (A premiums) in Rally in the A category MUST show in the B category in that same division, unless they have received three qualifying scores during the year. In order to move to the next level of competition three (3) qualifying scores with documentation (score sheets) are required. This is for any dog event the said dog has received qualifying score, not just at the Calhoun County Fair. Dogs receiving B or C premiums may show the next year in the B Division of the same class.
- a. Novice level Classes are on lead, Advanced and Excellent levels are off lead
 - b. No treats or toys in Rally Ring.
 - c. A = Handler/dog first year
B = Experienced handler/dog
 - d. D.
A Premium = 70-100 points
B Premium = 60-69 points
C Premium = 59 points and below

25. Agility:

- a. Agility exhibitors must assist in the setting up and tearing down of agility equipment to be able to participate
 - b. Dogs that receive qualifying scores (A premiums) in Agility in the A category MUST show in the B category in that same division, unless they have received three qualifying scores during the year. In order to move to the next level of competition three (3) qualifying scores with documentation (score sheets) are required. This is for any dog event the said dog has received qualifying score, not just at the Calhoun County Fair. Dogs receiving B or C premiums may show the next year in the B Division of the same class.
 - c. No treats or toys in Agility Ring.
 - d. A plain buckle collar, without any tags and a short lead (4 ft. or less) is a requirement for the agility ring.
 - e. Beginning Agility levels dog is on leash.
 - f. Additional requirements available at the MSU Extension and the Fairgrounds Office.
 - g. A - Handler/dog first year competing at this level
B - Experienced Handler/dog
 - h. Agility scoring is as follows:
A Premium - 85-100 points
B Premium - 60-84 points
C Premium - 59 points and below
 - i. Dogs MUST receive "A" premiums in Agility to receive placing ribbons or Awards.
26. Team:
- a. Four dogs, 4 handlers doing Novice exercises.
 - b. All exhibitors in this event must be members of the same youth club to compete as a team.
 - c. All exercises will be executed at the same time except the recall.
 - d. For the recall, all dogs, will be left at the same time, called individually, and finished at the same time.
 - e. Four dogs must participate; the four dogs must be noted at the time of entry, an alternate 4th dog may be listed.
 - f. Dogs must be Novice level or higher. (No Pre-Novice or Beginning Novice levels)
 - g. A Premium = 800-1000 points
B Premium = 600-799 points
C Premium = 599 points and below

PREMIUMS (Divisions 1-3, 5-7):

A - \$4.00, B - \$3.00, C - \$2.00

PREMIUMS (Division 4):

1st - \$7.00, 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$5.00, 4th - \$4.00, 5th - \$3.00, 6th - \$2.00, 7th - \$1.00

DIVISION 1 NOTEBOOK

Rosette for Best of Division in each class

2000. Beginning Member (Age 7 & Under)

2001. 1st Year Member (Age 8 & Above)

- 2002. 2nd Year Member
- 2003. 3rd Year Member
- 2004. 4th Year Member
- 2005. 5th Year Member
- 2006. 6th Year Member
- 2007. 7th Year Member
- 2008. 8th Year Member & Over

DIVISION 2

THREE-DIMENSIONAL EXHIBIT

Rosette for Best of Division in each class

- 2009. Beginning Member (Age 7 & Under)
- 2010. 1st Year Member (Age 8 & Above)
- 2011. 2nd Year Member
- 2012. 3rd-4th Year Member
- 2013. 5th-6th Year Member
- 2014. 7th-8th Year Member
- 2015. 9th-10th Year Member

DIVISION 3

OBEDIENCE

Award and Rosette to Trial High Score (Beg Nov-ice ineligible)

Award and Rosette to Obedience High Score (must hold qualifying score)

Award and Rosette to Obedience 2nd High Score (must hold qualifying score)

- 2016. Pre-Novice A
- 2017. Pre-Novice B
- 2018. Beginning Novice A
- 2019. Beginning Novice B
- 2020. Novice A
- 2021. Novice B
- 2026. Graduate Novice A
- 2026. Graduate Novice B
- 2026. Advanced Graduate Novice A
- 2026. Advanced Graduate Novice B
- 2026. Open Division
- 2027. Utility Division
- 2028. Team Division
- 2029. Brace Division

DIVISION 4

SHOWMANSHIP

Rosette to Overall Best Junior Handler

Rosette to Reserve Overall Best Jr Handler

Medals to 1st-5th in each class

- 2030. Novice 6-7
- 2031. Open 6-7
- 2032. Novice 8-11
- 2033. Open 8-11
- 2034. Novice 12-15
- 2035. Open 12-15
- 2036. Novice 16-21
- 2037. Open 16-21

DIVISION 5

RALLY OBEDIENCE

Award and Rosette to Rally Obedience High Score (must hold qualifying score)

Award and Rosette to Rally Obedience 2nd High Score (must hold qualifying score)

- 2038. Rally Novice A

- 2039. Rally Novice B
- 2040. Rally Advanced A
- 2041. Rally Advanced B
- 2042. Rally Excellent A
- 2043. Rally Excellent B

DIVISION 6

AGILITY

Award and Rosette to Agility High Score (must hold qualifying score)

Award and Rosette to Agility 2nd High Score (must hold qualifying score)

- 2044. Beginner A
- 2045. Beginner B
- 2046. Intermediate A
- 2047. Intermediate B
- 2048. Advanced A
- 2049. Advanced B

DIVISION 7

TEAM

Award and Rosette to Team High Score (must hold qualifying score)

Award and Rosette to Team 2nd High Score (must hold qualifying score)

- 2050. Team

DEPARTMENT 22

YOUTH/4-H LIVESTOCK

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YOUTH LIVESTOCK JUDGING: Sunday of Fair at 2:00 PM in the sheep barn.

YOUTH LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON: Thursday of Fair 11:00 am-1:00 pm in tent by Covered Arena

PHOTOGRAPHY JUDGING: Sunday before Fair from 9:00am-12:00pm in Beef Breeding Barn

PREMIUMS (Divisions 1-5):
A - \$4.00, B - \$3.00, C - \$2.00

Youth Livestock Rules

1. Livestock Judging:
 - a. Will take an hour and place a class of sheep and goats in their barn then move to the west side of hog barn for a class and finish behind the beef barns with a class of steers and heifers. Each class will be placed 1,2,3,4.
 - b. Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors will be given questions to answer for all the species.
2. Skillathon:
 - a. Will be made up of questions regarding identification of management tools, parts of animals, cuts of meats, breeds, feedstuffs, medicine labels, pedigrees, or other livestock knowledge.

- b. Questions will all be matching, true/false, or multiple choice with exception of bonus/tiebreaker questions.
 - c. If a contestant has any questions there will be adults monitoring skillathon that they may ask, no outside help is allowed.
3. Photography:
 - a. Photos must be presented Sunday of Fair from 9:00am-12:00pm
 - b. Photos must be taken by the exhibitor.
 - c. All photos must be mounted for stapling to wall with at least 1" border, all photos should be 4x6, 5x7, or 8x10 no larger.
 - d. There must be livestock as the object or in background of photo (division 3 and 4).
 - e. Photos will be judged on quality of print as well as creativeness of pose.
 - f. Exhibitors may only enter and present only one picture per division.
 - g. All photos must have an exhibitor tag attached to the back of photo.
 - h. Farmscape (division 5) is a photo of farm scene may include animals, buildings, machinery or fields.

DIVISION 1

YOUTH LIVESTOCK JUDGING

- 9000. Beginner 6-7
- 9001. Junior 8-11
- 9002. Intermediate 12-15
- 9003. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 2

YOUTH LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON

- 9005. Beginner 6-7
- 9006. Junior 8-11
- 9007. Intermediate 12-15
- 9008. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 3

YOUTH LIVESTOCK PHOTOGRAPHY

- 9010. Beginner 6-7
- 9011. Junior 8-11
- 9012. Intermediate 12-15
- 9013. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 4

YOUTH LIVESTOCK SELFIE

- 9015. Beginner 6-7
- 9016. Junior 8-11
- 9017. Intermediate 12-15
- 9018. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 5

YOUTH LIVESTOCK FARMSCAPE

- 9020. Beginner 6-7
- 9021. Junior 8-11
- 9022. Intermediate 12-15
- 9023. Senior 16-21

SHOW OF CHAMPIONS

Superintendents

Catie Boring 269-209-3127

Kristi Love 269-209-3126

LARGE ANIMAL	SMALL ANIMAL
Beef	Dairy Starter
Beef Breeding	Dog
Dairy	Poultry
Draft Horse	Rabbits
Horse	Goats
Sheep	Mini Horse/ Donkeys/Mules
Swine	

⇒ Large Animal Show of Champions Judging - Saturday of Fair, Noon

⇒ Small Animal Show of Champions Judging - Saturday of Fair, 1pm (or directly after the conclusion of the large Animal Show)

Eligibility: Champions of each Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Showmanship of each of the 13 species will be eligible to compete for the respective age divisions for Champion and Reserve Champion Show of Champions. Exhibitors are eligible to win in each age division one time.

Reserve Champion Showman of a species may be eligible to compete in the Show of Champions if the champion showman has either won the show of champions in their current age division or is unavailable to compete. In these situations, superintendents should be notified at the earliest opportunity. If a showman wins more than one species per large or small animal division, they will choose the species they will represent. The reserve champion of the species without representation would be eligible to compete. Superintendents of each species should be notified by contestants of their decision ASAP.

Show of Champion Contestant Rules:

1. Contestants will prepare their animal for the show and be present 10 minutes prior to start of division. Contestants may show their own animal in the respective divisions.
2. The show will consist of a round robin show of all 6 small animals and 7 large animals.
3. New for 2026-Contestants will show in groups made up of each species representative per age division.
4. Rounds will be approximately 7 to 10 minutes per species.
5. Info Packets will be distributed by SHOW OF CHAMPIONS and species superintendents to SHOW OF CHAMPIONS contestants. Contestants can use the information packet and are encouraged to seek peer to peer lessons on 44|

each species.

Species Superintendent Responsibilities

1. Superintendents of each species will coordinate with SHOW OF CHAMPIONS superintendent to ensure adequate number of animals are available for the show.
2. Superintendents must coordinate with parents and volunteers to ensure all animals will have adequate number of handlers at the ring.
3. Superintendents must communicate the exhibitor information to the Show of Champions superintendents at the earliest opportunity.

OPEN NON-LIVESTOCK PROJECTS

DEPARTMENT 40 OPEN NEEDLEWORK

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EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to Floral Hall between 12:00pm-4:00pm on Saturday before Fair. Judging of all entries will begin Monday of Fair at 9:00am. The building will not be open to the public during judging.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair, between 8:00am-12:00pm. CCAIS is not responsible for exhibits not picked up by set times.

One entry per class. Entries must be clean and must be the work of the exhibitor. Pillow slips require only one. Items not to be shown for over two years.

PREMIUMS (all divisions):
1st - \$5.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$3.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

DIVISION 1 AFGHANS

765. Crochet
766. Crochet Pieces
767. Knit
768. Knit Pieced
769. Embroidered
770. Woven
771. Any Other

DIVISION 2 QUILTS

Special Award:

\$25 gift certificate, Donor's Choice

775. Crazy Quilt
776. Applique
777. Machine Embroidery
778. Hand Embroidery
779. Patchwork (Pattern)
780. Child's (60" and larger)
781. Lap Size (48" and larger)
782. Machine Quilted
783. Machine Pieced
784. Hand Quilted
785. Hand Pieced
786. Hand Tied
787. Bed Runner
788. Table Runner
789. Any Other

DIVISION 3 RUGS

790. Crochet
791. Braided
792. Latch Hook
793. Hooked, Non-latch
794. Needlepoint on any Canvas
795. Holiday
796. Any Other

DIVISION 4 PICTURES

800. Crewel (Framed)
801. Cross Stitch (over 12x14 framed)
802. Cross Stitch (under 12x14 framed)
803. Embroidery (Framed)
804. Needlepoint (Framed)
805. Quilted Wall Hanging (smaller than 48")
806. Latch
807. Hooked
808. Sampler (Any Kind)
809. Hoop
810. Child's Pattern
811. Needle Punch
812. Cross Stitch, Needlepoint, or Embroidery Set
813. Full Coverage (over 12x14 framed)
814. Full Coverage (under 12x14 framed)
815. Announcements
816. Any Other

DIVISION 5 PILLOWS

825. Applique
826. Embroidery
827. Crochet or Knit
828. Crewel
829. Needlepoint
830. Latch
831. Novelty (Child's)
832. Quilted
833. Candlewick
834. Any Other

DIVISION 6 HOUSEHOLD

Information subject to change. Check our website or social medias for the latest information!

- 845. Apron
- 846. Holders (Set of 3)
- 847. Luncheon Set (Cloth & Napkin)
- 848. Placemats
- 849. Tablecloth (Any Kind)
- 850. Kitchen Novelties (Set of 2-3)
- 851. Sheet/Pillowcase (Crochet)
- 852. Sheet/Pillowcase (Cross Stitch)
- 853. Sheet/Pillowcase (Embroidered)
- 854. Towels, Kitchen
- 855. Towels, Bathroom
- 856. Towels, Any Other
- 857. Bell Pull
- 858. Tatting
- 859. Chair (Needlepoint)
- 860. Stool (Needlepoint)
- 861. Needlepoint Novelty
- 862. Chair or Stool (Crewel)
- 863. Any Other Household Item
- 864. Plastic Canvas, Any Other
- 865. Bathroom Novelty (Set of 2-3)
- 866. Doily (Any Kind)
- 867. Bedroom Novelty
- 868. Novelty

DIVISION 7 CLOTHING

- 880. Coat or Cape
- 881. Stole or Shawl (Crochet)
- 882. Stole or Shawl (Knit)
- 883. Sweater (Crochet)
- 884. Sweater (Knit)
- 885. Dress (Special Occasion)
- 886. Scarf (Crochet)
- 887. Scarf (Knit)
- 888. Scarf (Sewn)
- 889. Boys or Girls Outfit (Fabric)
- 890. Garment (Quilted)
- 891. Garment (Embroidered)
- 892. Garment (Hand Painted)
- 893. Garment (Novelty)
- 894. Sweatshirt (Counted Cross Stitch)
- 895. Sweatshirt (Novelty)
- 896. Slippers (Crochet)
- 897. Slippers (Knit)
- 898. Hat (Crochet)
- 899. Hat (Knit)
- 900. Hat (Sewn)
- 901. Socks (Crochet)
- 902. Socks (Knit)
- 903. Mittens (Crochet)
- 904. Mittens (Knit)
- 905. Mittens (Sewn)
- 906. Gloves (Crochet)
- 907. Gloves (Knit)
- 908. Gloves (Sewn)
- 909. Costume
- 910. Any Other

DIVISION 8 INFANTS

- 920. Baby Afghan (Knit)
- 921. Baby Afghan (Crochet)
- 922. Baby Afghan (Any Other)
- 923. Baby Outfit

- 924. Crib Quilt
- 925. Crib Set
- 926. Garment Set (Knit or Crochet)
- 927. Christening Dress
- 928. Any Other

DIVISION 9 TOYS

All outfits must be handmade

- 930. Toy, Infant (Any Kind)
- 931. Animals (Fabric or Yarn)
- 932. Doll – Best Dressed Baby
- 933. Doll – Best Dressed 18" and up
- 934. Doll – Barbie with 3 Outfits
- 935. Doll – Barbie Best Dressed (1 Outfit)
- 936. Doll – Old Fashioned Outfit
- 937. Doll – Fabric
- 938. Doll – Character
- 939. Doll – Crochet or Knit
- 940. Toy (Any Other)
- 941. Doll (Any Other)
- 942. Doll – Wedding Dress
- 943. Toy (Machine Embroidered)

DIVISION 10 HANDBAGS

- 944. Needlepoint
- 945. Crochet or Knit
- 946. Fabric
- 947. Novelty
- 948. Evening
- 949. Any Other

DIVISION 11 HOLIDAY NEEDLEWORK

- 950. Christmas Ornaments (Set of 3)
- 951. Christmas Wall Hanging (Latch)
- 952. Christmas – Door or Wall Hanging
- 953. Christmas Stocking (Any Kind)
- 954. Christmas Plastic Canvas (not ornaments)
- 955. Christmas Tree Skirt
- 956. Christmas Table
- 957. Christmas Pillow
- 958. Decorations – Easter
- 959. Decorations – Halloween
- 960. Decorations – Thanksgiving
- 961. Decorations – Fourth of July
- 962. Decorations – Valentine
- 963. Decorations – Any Other

DEPARTMENT 41 OPEN CULINARY ARTS

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MUST INCLUDE A LIST OF INGREDIENTS WITH EACH ENTRY.

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Sunday of Fair at 9:00am. The building will not be open to the public during judging.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair, between 8:00am-12:00pm. CCAIS is not responsible for exhibits not picked up by set times.

One entry per class. Items not to be shown for over two years. Any exhibitor not having competition shall be entitled to first or second premium only if worthy. Bread should be baked in small size loaf pans. Cakes and pies should be six-inches in diameter, if possible. All entries in Divisions 8-14 must be in standard clear glass jars with complete lids in place (pints or quarts). Decisions of the judge(s) are final.

CANNED GOODS HAVE TO BE FROM THE PAST YEAR FROM THE PREVIOUS FAIR.

PREMIUMS (all divisions):

1st - \$5.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$3.00

A "Best of Class" rosette will be given in each class if deemed worthy.

Overall "Best Culinary Exhibit" will receive the Vera Laing Memorial Plaque, presented by the family of Claude Laing.

DIVISION 1 YEAST BREADS

Plastic bags only, small loaves if possible

- 600. White Bread
- 601. Whole Wheat Bread
- 602. Cinnamon Rolls (3)
- 603. Dinner Rolls (3)
- 604. Sweet Rolls (3)
- 605. Any Other Yeast Bread

DIVISION 2 QUICK BREADS

No yeast. Plastic bags only, small loaves if possible

- 607. Banana Bread
- 608. Nut Bread
- 609. Cornbread
- 610. Biscuits
- 611. Muffins – Blueberry (3)
- 612. Muffins – Any Other (3)
- 613. Zucchini Bread
- 614. Pumpkin Bread
- 615. Apple Bread
- 616. Any Other Quick Bread

DIVISION 3 COOKIES

Three cookies on 6" paper plate only

- 620. Filled Cookies
- 621. Sugar Cookies
- 622. Molasses Cookies
- 623. Peanut Butter Cookies
- 624. Ice Box Cookies
- 625. Chocolate Chip Cookies

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- 626. Bar Cookies
- 627. Drop Cookies
- 628. Any Other Cookie
- 629. Oatmeal

DIVISION 4 CAKES

Six-inch diameter, if possible

- 630. White Cake
- 631. Devil's Food Cake
- 632. Chiffon or Angel Food Cake
- 633. German Chocolate Cake
- 634. Carrot Cake
- 635. Layer Cake
- 636. Any Other Cake

DIVISION 5 PIES

Six-inch diameter, if possible

- 640. Apple Pie
- 641. Cherry Pie
- 642. Peach Pie
- 643. Blueberry Pie
- 644. Rhubarb Pie
- 645. Any Other Pie

DIVISION 6 MISCELLANEOUS

Six-inch paper plates only

- 650. Coffee Cake
- 651. Display of Fried Cakes (3)
- 652. Display of Homemade Candy (4)
- 653. Any Other Miscellaneous

DIVISION 7 DECORATED CAKES

Judged on decoration only, must be made on a cake (cannot be made on a form). Exhibits should be one cake or four cupcakes.

- 655. Professional
- 656. Amateur
- 657. Gingerbread House

DIVISION 8 CANNED FRUITS

- 660. Applesauce
- 661. Cherries
- 662. Peaches
- 663. Pears
- 664. Any Other
- 665. Apples

DIVISION 9 DRIED FRUITS

- 670. Pineapple
- 671. Banana
- 672. Any Other

DIVISION 10 CANNED VEGETABLES

- 673. Beans, Yellow
- 674. Beans, Green
- 675. Beets
- 676. Carrots
- 677. Tomatoes

- 678. Salsa
- 679. Any Other

DIVISION 11 DRIED VEGETABLES

- 680. Tomatoes
- 681. Any Other

DIVISION 12 PICKLED FOODS

- 685. Mixed Pickles
- 686. Dill Pickles
- 687. Sweet Pickles
- 688. Bread & Butter Pickles
- 689. Pickled Beets
- 690. Pickled Sweet Peppers
- 691. Pickled Hot Peppers
- 692. Pickled Beans
- 693. Relishes
- 694. Corn Relishes
- 695. Pickled Watermelon
- 696. Any Other Pickles

DIVISION 13 JELLY, JAM, PRESERVES, MARMALADES

No freezer jam or jelly

- 700. Jellies (1/2 pints, 2 jars)
- 701. Jams (1/2 pints, 2 jars)
- 702. Preserves (1/2 pints, 2 jars)
- 703. Marmalades (1/2 pints, 2 jars)
- 704. Butters
- 705. Conserves

DIVISION 14 DISPLAYS

Best six cans. Displays cannot compete for single premiums

- 706. Canned Vegetables
- 707. Canned Fruits
- 708. Pickled Vegetables
- 709. Jellies, Jams, Preserves, Marmalades

DIVISION 15 MISCELLANEOUS

- 710. Extracted Honey
- 711. Maple Syrup (One Pint)
- 712. Tomato Catsup
- 713. Chili Sauce
- 714. Picnic Basket
- 715. Herbal Vinegars
- 716. Any Other
- 717. Pie Filling,
- 730. Dried Herbs

DIVISION 16 4 OZ GIFT JARS (2 JARS)

- 718. Jam
- 719. Jellies
- 720. Preserves
- 721. Butters
- 722. Conserves
- 723. Hot Coca
- 724. Teas

DIVISION 17 GLUTEN FREE

- 725. Yeast Bread
- 726. Quick Bread
- 727. Cookie
- 728. Pie
- 729. Other

DEPARTMENT 42 OPEN FINE ARTS & FOLK ARTS

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Best of Medium rosette for each medium, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

DIVISION 1 VISUAL ART – TWO-DIMENSIONAL

All must have wire for hanging or one-inch border for stapling. Sizing will be at the discretion of the Superintendent. Paintings including frames, maximum size 24x36

- 101. Oil Painting – People
- 102. Oil Painting – Animal(s)
- 103. Oil Painting – Still Life
- 104. Oil Painting – Landscape
- 105. Oil Painting – Abstract
- 106. Oil Painting – Other
- 107. Acrylic Painting – People
- 108. Acrylic Painting – Animal(s)
- 109. Acrylic Painting – Still Life
- 110. Acrylic Painting – Landscape
- 111. Acrylic Painting – Abstract
- 112. Acrylic Painting – Other
- 113. Watercolor Painting – People
- 114. Watercolor Painting – Animal(s)
- 115. Watercolor Painting – Still Life
- 116. Watercolor Painting – Landscape
- 117. Watercolor Painting – Abstract
- 118. Watercolor Painting – Other
- 119. Painting on Nontraditional Surface – Any Subject/Medium
- 120. Pencil Drawing B/W – People
- 121. Pencil Drawing B/W – Animal(s)

122. Pencil Drawing B/W – Landscape
123. Pencil Drawing B/W – Other
124. Pencil Drawing Color – People
125. Pencil Drawing Color – Animal(s)
126. Pencil Drawing Color – Landscape
127. Pencil Drawing Color – Other
128. Ink Drawing B/W – People
129. Ink Drawing B/W – Animal(s)
130. Ink Drawing B/W – Landscape
131. Ink Drawing B/W – Other
132. Ink Drawing Color – People
133. Ink Drawing Color – Animal(s)
134. Ink Drawing Color – Landscape
135. Ink Drawing Color – Other
136. Pastels Oil – People
137. Pastels Oil – Animal(s)
138. Pastels Oil – Landscape
139. Pastels Oil – Other
140. Pastels Chalk – People
141. Pastels Chalk – Animal(s)
142. Pastels Chalk – Landscape
143. Pastels Chalk – Other
144. Charcoal Drawing – People
145. Charcoal Drawing – Animal(s)
146. Charcoal Drawing – Landscape
147. Charcoal Drawing – Other
148. Graphic Design – Any Subject
149. Illustration – Any Subject/Medium
150. Cartoon/Graphic Novel
151. Computer Generated Art
152. Printmaking
153. Stamping
154. Mixed Media – Two-Dimensional
155. Other Two-Dimensional Art

DIVISION 2

VISUAL ART – THREE-DIMENSIONAL

160. Sculpture – Clay
161. Sculpture – Other
162. Ceramics Pottery – Thrown
163. Ceramics Pottery – Slab
164. Ceramics Pottery – Coil
165. Ceramics Pottery – Other
166. Figurine/Ceramic Painting/Pastecraft
167. Shadow Box
168. Stained Glass
169. Recycled Materials
170. Natural/Ecological Materials
171. Mixed Media – Three-Dimensional
172. Fused Glass
173. Other – Three-Dimensional Art

DIVISION 3

LITERARY

180. Short Story
181. Poetry
182. Greeting Card

DIVISION 4

FUNCTIONAL FOLK ART

Emphasis on suitability for a purpose

190. Basketry – Coil
191. Basketry – Flat-sided
192. Basketry – Nantucket
193. Basketry – Lidded

194. Basketry – Gathering
195. Basketry – Splint
196. Basketry – Twined
197. Basketry – Atypical Materials
198. Blacksmithing – Simple
199. Blacksmithing – Complex
200. Broom Making – Handled Flat
201. Broom Making – Handled Round
202. Broom Making – Non-Handled Flat
203. Broom Making – Non-Handled Round
204. Broom Making – Turkeywing
205. Broom Making – Hawkstail
206. Candlemaking – Poured Beeswax
207. Candlemaking – Poured Other
208. Candlemaking – Dipped Beeswax
209. Candlemaking – Dipped Other
210. Candlemaking – Any Other
211. Carpentry (up to 18” in any dimension)
212. Felting, Wet or Needle – Scarf
213. Felting, Wet or Needle – Mittens
214. Felting, Wet or Needle – Slippers
215. Felting, Wet or Needle – Hat
216. Felting, Wet or Needle – Bag
217. Felting, Wet or Needle – Vessel
218. Felting, Wet or Needle – Other
219. Leatherwork – Belt
220. Leatherwork – Wallet
221. Leatherwork – Slippers
222. Leatherwork – Bag

223. Leatherwork – Clothing
224. Leatherwork – Animal Accessories
225. Leatherwork – Other
226. Papermaking – Any Material
227. Soapmaking – Cold Process
228. Soapmaking – Hot Process
229. Soapmaking – Milk
230. Soapmaking – Vegetarian
231. Soapmaking – Animal Based
232. Soapmaking – Artistic/Novelty
233. Soapmaking – With Add-ins
234. Spinning – 100% Sheep Wool (Single 2-4oz Skein)
235. Spinning – 100% Sheep Wool (Plyed 2-4oz Skein)
236. Spinning – 75%+ Camelid (Single 2-4oz Skein)
237. Spinning – 75%+ Camelid (Plyed 2-4oz Skein)
238. Spinning – 75%+ Other (Single 2-4oz Skein)
239. Spinning – 75%+ Other (Plyed 2-4oz Skein)
240. Spinning – Any Fiber Blend (Single 2-4oz Skein)
241. Spinning – Any Fiber Blend (Plyed 2-4oz Skein)
242. Tinsmithing/Metalwork
243. Weaving – Rug
244. Weaving – Wearable
245. Weaving – Table Runner
246. Weaving – Towel
247. Weaving – Other
248. Woodworking (up to 18” in any dimension)
249. Any Other

DIVISION 5

DECORATIVE FOLK ART/HANDICRAFTS

260. Cardmaking
261. Dolls
262. Felting – Wet or Needle (Decorative)
263. Holiday Décor
264. Holiday Ornament
265. Jewelry – Bracelet
266. Jewelry – Earrings
267. Jewelry – Keyring
268. Jewelry – Necklace
269. Jewelry – Ring
270. Jewelry – Any Other
271. Macramé
272. Models
273. Papercraft
274. Scrapbooking
275. Weaving – Decorative
276. Woodburning
277. Woodcarving
278. Broom Making – Decorative, Non-functional
279. Any Other

DIVISION 6

COLLECTIONS

Collections of ten pieces

290. Bells
291. Bottles
292. Dolls
293. Figurines
294. Holiday Ornaments
295. Horses – Breyer
296. Horses – Other
297. Miniatures – Animals
298. Miniatures – Dolls
299. Miniatures – Figurines
300. Miniatures – Holiday
301. Pins/Buttons/Badges
302. Salt & Pepper Shaker Sets
303. Spoons
304. Stamps – Domestic
305. Stamps – Foreign
306. Stones (Small)
307. Teddy Bears
308. Thimbles
309. Any Other

DEPARTMENT 44 OPEN PHOTOGRAPHY

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ists only. All exhibits must be clean. Decisions of the judge(s) are final.

No awards to exhibits shown more than two years in succession. Photos must be taken within the past two years unless otherwise noted. Exhibitor tags are the responsibility of the exhibitor to pick up and fill out prior to dropping off items. Exhibitor tags are to be folded over to hide exhibitor name during judging (please do not tape). Exhibitor tags must be attached to the TOP RIGHT or TOP LEFT corner of the exhibit.

All photos must be 8x10 or smaller unless otherwise noted. **Photos will not be accepted in frames.** Due to the display area and the preservation of our building, photos must be mounted on either thick construction paper or thin mounting board that easily allows pushpins to go through to hang on foam display boards. All photos must have a one-inch border of backing material that can be used to pin or staple onto display board. All photos must be secured to backing with adequate adhesive that can withstand the elements during the entire week of display. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to securely mount photos to backing material. Photos not meeting these requirements will not be displayed.

PREMIUMS (all divisions):
1st - \$5.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$3.00

A "Best of Class" rosette will be given in each class if deemed worthy.

DIVISION 1 AMATEUR – OPEN TO ALL AGES

- 150. Animal(s) – Color
- 151. Animal(s) – B/W
- 152. Birds or Fowl – Color
- 153. Birds or Fowl – B/W
- 154. Insects, Worms, Larva, Bugs, Spiders – Color
- 155. Insects, Worms, Larva, Bugs, Spiders – B/W
- 156. Butterflies, Bees, Dragonflies, Moths – Color
- 157. Butterflies, Bees, Dragonflies, Moths – B/W
- 158. Snakes, Lizards, Reptiles – Color
- 159. Snakes, Lizards, Reptiles – B/W
- 160. Pets – Color
- 161. Pets – B/W
- 162. Pets in Costumes – Color or B/W
- 163. Flower(s) – Color
- 164. Flower(s) – B/W
- 165. Foliage – Color
- 166. Foliage – B/W
- 167. Landscape – Color
- 168. Landscape – B/W
- 169. Patterns/Designs – Color
- 170. Patterns/Designs – B/W
- 171. Holiday (Any) – Color
- 172. Holiday (Any) – B/W
- 173. 2019 Calhoun County Fair – Color
- 174. 2019 Calhoun County Fair – B/W
- 176. Action or Trick Shot – Color
- 176. Action or Trick Shot – B/W

- 177. Sequence Series of Three – Color
- 178. Sequence Series of Three – B/W
- 179. Macro-photography – Color
- 180. Macro-photography – B/W
- 181. Building(s) or Statue(s) – Color
- 182. Building(s) or Statue(s) – B/W
- 183. Portrait – Color
- 184. Portrait – B/W
- 185. Enlargement (up to 8x10 only) – Color (original photo must be submitted with entry)
- 186. Enlargement (up to 8x10 only) – B/W (original photo must be submitted with entry)
- 187. Any Other – Color
- 188. Any Other – B/W

DIVISION 2 YOUTH – AGES 8-11

- 190. Animal(s) – Color
- 191. Animal(s) – B/W
- 192. Birds or Fowl – Color
- 193. Birds or Fowl – B/W
- 194. Insects, Worms, Larva, Bugs, Spiders – Color
- 195. Insects, Worms, Larva, Bugs, Spiders – B/W
- 196. Butterflies, Bees, Dragonflies, Moths – Color
- 197. Butterflies, Bees, Dragonflies, Moths – B/W
- 198. Snakes, Lizards, Reptiles – Color
- 199. Snakes, Lizards, Reptiles – B/W
- 200. Pets – Color
- 201. Pets – B/W
- 202. Pets in Costumes – Color or B/W
- 203. Flower(s) – Color
- 204. Flower(s) – B/W
- 205. Landscape – Color
- 206. Landscape – B/W
- 207. Patterns/Designs – Color
- 208. Patterns/Designs – B/W
- 209. Holiday (Any) – Color
- 210. Holiday (Any) – B/W
- 211. 2019 Calhoun County Fair – Color
- 212. 2019 Calhoun County Fair – B/W
- 213. Any Other – Color
- 214. Any Other – B/W

DIVISION 3 YOUTH – AGES 12-16

- 220. Animal(s) – Color
- 221. Animal(s) – B/W
- 222. Birds or Fowl – Color
- 223. Birds or Fowl – B/W
- 224. Insects, Worms, Larva, Bugs, Spiders – Color
- 225. Insects, Worms, Larva, Bugs, Spiders – B/W
- 226. Butterflies, Bees, Dragonflies, Moths – Color
- 227. Butterflies, Bees, Dragonflies, Moths – B/W
- 228. Snakes, Lizards, Reptiles – Color
- 229. Snakes, Lizards, Reptiles – B/W
- 230. Pets – Color
- 231. Pets – B/W
- 232. Pets in Costumes – Color or B/W
- 233. Flower(s) – Color
- 234. Flower(s) – B/W
- 235. Landscape – Color
- 236. Landscape – B/W
- 237. Patterns/Designs – Color

- 238. Patterns/Designs – B/W
- 239. Holiday (Any) – Color
- 240. Holiday (Any) – B/W
- 241. 2019 Calhoun County Fair – Color
- 242. 2019 Calhoun County Fair – B/W
- 243. Macro-photography – Color
- 244. Macro-photography – B/W
- 245. Building(s) or Statue(s) – Color
- 246. Building(s) or Statue(s) – B/W
- 247. Any Other – Color
- 248. Any Other – B/W

DEPARTMENT 45 OPEN ANTIQUES

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EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to Floral Hall between 9:00am-5:30pm on Saturday before Fair. Judging of all entries will begin Monday of Fair at 9:00. The building will not be open to the public during judging.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair, between 8:00am-12:00pm. CCAIS is not responsible for exhibits not picked up by set times.

One entry per class. Items must be at least fifty years old and not shown during the prior three years of the fair. Any exhibitor not having competition shall be entitled to first premium only if deemed worthy. Decisions of the judge(s) are final.

PREMIUMS (all divisions):
1st - \$5.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$3.00

A "Best of Class" rosette will be given in each class if deemed worthy.

DIVISION 1 DRY GOODS

- 101. Basket – Handle Carrying
- 102. Sewing Basket – With Handle
- 103. Sewing Basket – Without Handle
- 104. Ladies Comb Set – Dresser
- 105. Doily Set – Crocheted
- 106. Beaded Article – Purse or Belt
- 107. Coverlet – Blue and White
- 108. Coverlet – Three Colors
- 109. Fan – Hand or Ladies
- 110. Quilt – Applique
- 111. Quilt – Hand Quilted
- 112. Shawl
- 113. Child's Blanket – Crib
- 114. Baby Clothes
- 115. Baby Shoes
- 116. Child's Hat

117. Child's Shoes
118. Ladies Purse
119. Ladies Hat
120. Hat Pin
121. Hat Pin Holder
122. Ladies Dress
123. Apron
124. Any Other Apparel – Ladies
125. Ladies Shoes
126. Gentlemen's Hat
127. Gentlemen's Apparel – Coat/Shirt
128. Gentlemen's Smoking Jacket
129. Handkerchief – Tatting
130. Handkerchief – Embroidered
131. Handkerchief – Crocheted
132. Military Apparel
133. Native American Apparel
134. Western Apparel
135. Tablecloth
136. Pillowcases, Hand Stitched or Embroidered
137. Any Other Worthy

DIVISION 2

CHINA

201. ABC Plate
202. Bennington China
203. Cup and Saucer (Tea)
204. Cup and Saucer (Demi-Tasse)
205. Figurine – Staffordshire
206. China – Flow Blue
207. China – Hand Painted
208. China – Ironstone
209. China Platter
210. Jardinière
211. Lusterware Copper
212. Majolica
213. Transfer Ware
214. Specialty Piece
215. Mustache Cup
216. Shaving Mug and Brush
217. Stein
218. Washbowl and Pitcher Set
219. Nippon
220. Tealeaf China
221. Butter Pats (3 different)
222. China Egg Cup
223. China Candlesticks
224. Porcelain 5-piece Dinnerware
225. Berry Set with 4 Sauce
226. Porcelain Figurine
227. Roseville Glass
228. Any Other Worthy

DIVISION 3

GLASS

305. Platter – Glass
306. Basket – Glass
307. Bread Plate
308. Berry Set with 4 Sauce
309. Cake Stand
310. Caster Set
311. Cut Glass
312. Pickle Castor
313. Pressed Glass
314. Vinegar Cruet

315. Cruet Set (Set of 5 Bottles)
316. Mary Gregory
317. Water Pitcher and One Glass
318. Covered Candy Dish
319. Stemware
320. Any Other Worthy

DIVISION 4

COLORED GLASS

425. Jadeite
426. Black
427. Cobalt Blue
428. Bohemian Red
429. Carnival Glass
430. Cranberry
431. Depression – Yellow
432. Depression – Blue
433. Depression – Clear
434. Depression – Green
435. Depression – Pink
436. Wheaton Ware
437. Milk Glass
438. Opalescent
439. Ruby Red
440. Vaseline
441. Any Other Worthy

DIVISION 5

CURIOSITY SHOP

450. Bank – Iron
451. Bank – Any Other
452. Bootjack
453. Box – Tin
454. Box – Wooden
455. Calendar Plate (pre-1960)
456. Candlesticks
457. Candelabra
458. Candle Mold
459. Coffee Grinder – Table
460. Clock – Mantle
461. Clock – Kitchen (Gingerbread)
462. Muffin or Corn Tin
463. Kettle – Copper
464. Copper Boiler
465. Kettle – Iron
466. Lamp – Oil
467. Lamp – With Handle
468. Lamp – Miniature
469. Lantern – Barn
470. Lantern – Railroad
471. Spatter Ware
472. Music Box
473. Ink Pen
474. Ink Well
475. Eye Wash Cup
476. Curling Iron
477. Advertising Tray
478. Advertising Box
479. Any Other Advertising
480. Toothpick Holder
481. Bookends
482. Miniature Books (4" or smaller)
483. Pewter
484. Art Deco
485. Art Nouveau

486. Needlework Tools
487. Camera
488. Lock and Keys
489. Medals
490. Small Musical Instrument
491. Chalkware
492. Salt Dip
493. Calendar-Brass
494. Calendar-Metal
495. Any Other Worthy

DIVISION 6

TOYS AND SCHOOL ITEMS

600. Animal – Stuffed
601. Bell – School
602. Dishes – Dollhouse Size
603. Dishes – Child Size
604. Doll – Bisque
605. Doll – China
606. Doll – Dollhouse Size
607. Doll – Composition
608. Doll Clothes
609. Doll Bed or Cradle
610. Paperweight
611. Rocking Horse
612. Slate
613. School Desk
614. Toy – Wind Up
615. Animal Toy – Wood, Tin, or Cast Iron
616. Metal Lunch Box
617. Child's Housekeeping Toy
618. Stuffed Toy/Doll/Caricature
619. Musical Instrument
620. Toy – Wooden
621. Toy – Metal
622. Marbles
623. Any Other Worthy School Item
624. Any Other Worthy Toy Item

DIVISION 7

COLLECTIONS

650. Buttons – Limit 12
651. Carpenter Tools – Limit 4
652. Native American Relics – Limit 10
653. Jewelry – Limit 3
654. Jack Knives
655. Kitchen Utensils – Limit 5
656. Post Cards – Limit 6
657. Salt Dips – Clear – Limit 4 Different
658. Silverware – Limit 5
659. Bottles – Limit 5 in Container
660. Stamps – Limit 1 page of 20
661. Thimbles – Limit 3
662. Small Pitchers – Limit 3
663. Any Other Worthy – Limit 5 pieces

DIVISION 8

KITCHENWARE

700. Teapot (Only)
701. Measuring Cups
702. Measuring Spoons
703. Refrigerator Container
704. Napkin Ring
705. Stoneware Jug
706. Pottery Jug

- 707. Stoneware Crock
- 708. Salt Crock
- 709. Pyrex – Mixing Bowl
- 710. Pyrex – Covered Casserole
- 711. Pyrex – Refrigerator Container
- 712. Teakettle
- 713. Butter Bowl
- 714. Butter Dish
- 715. Churn
- 716. Graniteware – one piece
- 717. Apple Peeler
- 718. Cherry Pitter
- 719. Nut Chopper
- 720. Butter Mold
- 721. Silver Tea Set
- 722. Flat Iron
- 723. Doorstop
- 724. Small Electric Item
- 725. Pie Birds
- 726. Breadboard
- 727. Cracker Jar
- 728. Aluminum Metalware
- 729. Bread Box
- 730. Canning Jars
- 731. Salt & Pepper Shakers
- 732. Any Other Worthy

DIVISION 9 HOUSEHOLD

- 676. Cradle
- 677. Child's Buggy
- 678. Doll Highchair
- 679. Highchair
- 680. Child's Rocker
- 681. Doll Chair
- 682. Child's Chair
- 683. Doll's Table
- 684. Ladies Chair
- 685. Ladies Rocker – Sewing
- 686. Organ Stool
- 687. Sewing Machine
- 688. Sewing Box
- 689. Picture Family (3 or more)
- 690. Family Portrait in Frame
- 691. Farm Picture in Frame
- 692. Building Picture in Frame
- 693. Ornate Picture Frame
- 694. Table – Candle or Lamp
- 695. Wooden Musical Item
- 696. Plant Stand
- 697. Any Other Small Furniture Item
- 698. Doll Cradle
- 699. Doll Bed

DIVISION 10 FARM ARTICLES

- 750. Buck Saw
- 751. Crosscut Saw
- 752. Buggy Whip
- 753. Flail
- 754. Fork – Pitch, Wood, or 3-tine
- 755. Grain Cradle
- 756. Harness Item
- 757. Rake – Wooden
- 758. Shovel – Wooden

- 759. Sleigh Bells
- 760. Horse Collar
- 761. Ox Yoke
- 762. Wagon Jack
- 763. Barn Auger
- 764. Potato Planter – Hand
- 765. Corn Planter – Hand
- 766. Grain Seeder – Hand
- 767. Halter – Horse or Cow
- 768. Cow Bell
- 769. Lap Robe
- 770. Soapstone or Bed Warmer
- 771. Automobile Object (Pre-1960)
- 772. Milk Stool
- 773. Grain Dolly
- 774. Corn Sheller
- 775. Scythe
- 776. Pulleys
- 777. Small Oil Can
- 778. Hoe
- 779. Any Other Worthy

DIVISION 11 CALHOUN COUNTY FAIR HISTORY

- 800. Premium Book
- 801. Fair Ribbon
- 802. Exhibitor's Ticket
- 803. Postcard or Advertising
- 804. Any other Worthy

DEPARTMENT 46 OPEN AGRICULTURE

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EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to Floral Hall between 12:00pm-4:00pm on Saturday before Fair. Judging of all entries will begin Sunday of Fair at 11:00am. The building will not be open to the public during judging.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair, between 8:00am-12:00pm. CCAIS is not responsible for exhibits not picked up by set times.

One entry per class. Any exhibitor not having competition shall be entitled to first premium only if deemed worthy. Exhibits shall be production of current year unless otherwise specified. Exhibitors are responsible for properly completing entry tags issued by the Fairgrounds Office, entry tags not properly completed may disqualify exhibit for display. Exhibits shall have been grown by exhibitor, otherwise entry may be disqualified. Grain exhibitors are instructed that their exhibits are not to be trucked or shipped to the fair unless entries have been accepted and space is allowed by the superintendent.

PREMIUMS (Division 1, Class 300):
1st - \$50.00, 2nd - \$25.00

PREMIUMS (Division 1, Classes 301-303):
1st - \$25.00, 2nd - \$15.00

PREMIUMS (Divisions 2-6):
1st - \$5.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$3.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, and Best of Show Ribbon for each division.

Special plaques and premiums will be given by Hoffman Ag Services in classes 300, 301, 302, and 303.

DIVISION 1 SPECIAL EXHIBITS

- 300. Bushel Shelled Corn (Grown previous year)
- 301. Bushel of Wheat (Grown current year)
- 302. Quart Jar of Soybeans (Grown previous year)
- 303. Sheaf of Alfalfa (Grown current year)

DIVISION 2 WHEAT AND OTHER SMALL GRAINS

- 304. White Wheat (Peck)
- 305. Red Wheat (Peck)
- 306. Winter Rye (Peck)
- 307. Ionia Wheat (Peck)
- 308. Oats (Peck)
- 309. Barley (Peck)
- 310. Spelt (Peck)
- 311. Buckwheat (Clear Quart Jar)
- 312. White Beans (Clear Quart Jar)
- 313. Red Kidney Beans (Clear Quart Jar)

DIVISION 3 CORN (GROWN PREVIOUS YEAR)

- 314. Hybrid (6 ears) – List Variety
- 315. White (6 ears)
- 316. Popcorn Mini (6 ears) – List Variety
- 317. Popcorn Other (6 ears) – List Variety
- 318. Indian (6 ears)

DIVISION 4 SEEDS

- 319. Alsike Clover (Clear Quart Jar)
- 320. June Clover (Clear Quart Jar)
- 321. Mammoth Clover (Clear Quart Jar)
- 322. Alfalfa (Clear Quart Jar)
- 323. Timothy (Clear Quart Jar)

DIVISION 5 SHEAF EXHIBIT

- 324. Wheat (2" Diameter)
- 325. Oats (2" Diameter)
- 326. Rye (2" Diameter)
- 327. Barley (2" Diameter)
- 328. Timothy (Section of Bale)
- 329. Clover (Section of Bale)
- 330. Field Corn (6 Stalks)
- 331. Sweet Corn (6 Stalks)
- 332. Sunflowers (3 Stalks)
- 333. Sorghum (3 Stalks)
- 334. Assortment of Sheaves, Grasses, Grains, and Forage Varieties Arrangement
- 335. Pasture Mix Hay (section of bale)

DIVISION 6

EGGS

Eggs must be produced by birds owned by the exhibitor

Eggs must be display in an egg carton

Eggs must be no more than 30 days old, clean and free from cracks

336. White (1 Dozen)

337. Brown (1 Dozen)

338. Other (1 Dozen)

DEPARTMENT 47 OPEN FLORICULTURE

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EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to Floral Hall between 9:00am-5:30pm on Saturday before Fair. Judging of all entries will begin Sunday of Fair at 9:00am. The building will not be open to the public during judging.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair, between 8:00am-12:00pm. CCAIS is not responsible for exhibits not picked up by set times.

All containers to be furnished by exhibitor and suitable to exhibit. Care and maintenance of exhibits is the exhibitor's responsibility, superintendent will water with detailed instructions from the exhibitor. The exhibitor may bring fresh flowers throughout the week to keep exhibit attractive.

Exhibitor tags must include botanical name.

Division 1 (Plants): Plants should be clean and groomed, and containers clean. All plants must be grown by exhibitor. Container grown plants must be in exhibitor's possession at least 90 days prior to fair. Multiple combination plantings (dish gardens, terrariums) must have been in possession at least six weeks. Double potting is permitted. Violets must be in bloom with one plant per pot and one crown per plant.

Division 2 (Arrangements): Fresh cut plant material should be properly conditioned. For longer lasting entries, cut flowers in early morning or late evening and let set in water overnight. Floral preservative may be used. No silk or artificial plant material is permitted. No artificial coloring of fresh plant material. Dried plant material may be colored.

Divisions 3-5: All plant material must be grown by exhibitor. Foliage must be on the stem of flower, not separate. Stems should be free of foliage underwater. Wedging is permitted. Wilted specimens will be discarded during the week and containers

saved.

Division 6 (Roses – Cut Plant Material): Named varieties only. Roses to be cut, not growing in a container.

PREMIUMS (all divisions):

1st - \$5.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$3.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

Special premiums and ribbons will be awarded in each division by the Marshall Area Garden Club.

Special gift to best entry in Division 5 by Jolly Green Junction.

DIVISION 1 PLANTS

- 476. African Violet – Blue
- 477. African Violet – Pink
- 478. African Violet – Purple
- 479. African Violet – Bi-Color
- 480. African Violet – Double
- 481. African Violet – Any Other
- 482. Baby Tears
- 483. Begonia – Any
- 484. Foliage Plant
- 485. Blooming Plant Not Listed
- 486. Boston Fern
- 487. Fern – Any Other
- 488. Hedera Ivy – Not in Hanging Container
- 489. Philodendron or Pothos
- 490. Fuchsia – Any Variety
- 491. Ficus
- 492. Maranata – Prayer Plant
- 493. Christmas Cactus
- 494. Bromelias
- 495. Sansevieria Snake Plant

- 496. Orchid
- 497. Hanging Plant – Flowering (House Plant)
- 498. Hanging Plant – Foliage (House Plant)
- 499. Coleus
- 500. Terrarium
- 501. Dish Garden
- 502. Cactus or Succulent Garden
- 503. Cactus of Succulent Plant
- 504. Epicia
- 505. Crotons – Including Joseph's Coat
- 506. Euphorbia – Including Crown of Thorns
- 507. House Plant in Unusual Planter

DIVISION 2 ARRANGEMENTS

Time-out to Eat!

- 510. Child's Table for Two – Children's Storybook
- 511. Breakfast Tray – Fresh Flowers on a Tray Set for Breakfast
- 512. Lunchbox – Arrangement in a Lunchbox
- 513. Farmer's Coffee Break
- Calhoun County Fair Activities*
- 514. Flowers for a Country Kitchen in August
- 515. The Chicken Coop – Incorporating a Chicken

516. The Swine Barn – Incorporating a Pig

517. Fair Lake – Design in a Birdbath

Down in the Garden

518. Fruit & Flowers – Floral with Fruit

519. Autumn Abundance – Floral with Vegetables

520. A Gardener's Helper – Design with a Small Garden Hand Tool

Open Design

521. Roadside Beauties – Wildflowers

522. Herbal Delights – Using Fresh Herbs

523. Leafy Things – All Foliage

524. Fall Pleasures – All Dried Plant Material

525. Garden Hat – Decorated with Dried Flowers

526. Gourd Bird House – Decorated with Dried or Fresh Flowers

527. Stitch in Time – Include Sewing Item

528. Merry-Go-Round – Circular Design

529. Something Old – Include Antique Item

530. Summer Treats – Include Cooking Item

531. A Great Day – Design for a Bride's Table

532. Anticipation – Design for Baby Shower

533. Happy Birthday – Colorful Design

534. 50th Anniversary Design

535. Birdhouse Decorated with Dried Flowers

DIVISION 3

ANNUALS (CUT PLANT MATERIAL)

- 536. Asters (6 Blooms)
- 537. Calendula (6 Blooms)
- 538. Cosmos – Yellow (6 Blooms)
- 539. Cosmos – Any Other (6 Blooms)
- 540. Centaurea Bachelors Buttons (6 Blooms)
- 541. Tagetes Marigolds – Dwarf (6 Blooms)
- 542. Tagetes Marigolds – Large (6 Blooms)
- 543. Pansies (6 Blooms)
- 544. Petunia – Double (6 Blooms)
- 545. Petunia – Single (6 Blooms)
- 546. Antirrhinum Snapdragons (6 Blooms)
- 547. Sunflower – 6-10 Inches
- 548. Sunflower – 10-12 Inches
- 549. Sunflower – 12 Inches and Larger
- 550. Zinnia – Cactus (6 Stems)
- 551. Zinnia – Lilliputs or Pompons (6 Stems)
- 552. Zinnia – Ruffles (6 Stems)
- 553. Zinnia – Large (6 Stems)
- 554. Geranium Blossom (1 Stem)
- 555. Any Other (3 Blooms)

DIVISION 4

BULBS, CORMS, TUBERS (CUT PLANT MATERIAL)

- 556. Dahlia – Collection 5 Varieties (Each Stem in Own Container)
- 557. Dahlia – Large 6"-8" (1 Stem)
- 558. Dahlia – Pompom 2" & Under (3 Stems)
- 559. Gladiolus – Collection 5 Varieties (Each Stem in Own Container)
- 560. Gladiolus – Large (1 Stem)
- 561. Gladiolus – Small (1 Stem)
- 562. Lilies (1 Stem with 1 or More Bloom)
- 563. Any Other (1 Stem)

DIVISION 5

PERENNIALS, BIENNIALS, SHRUBS

- 565. Achillea Yarrow (3 Blooms)

- 566. Echinacea Coneflower (3 Blooms)
- 567. Coreopsis (3 Blooms)
- 568. Echinops Globe Thistle (3 Blooms)
- 569. Feverfew (1 Stem)
- 570. Gaillardia (3 Blooms)
- 571. Hosta – Blue (1 Leaf Named)
- 572. Hosta – Green (1 Leaf Named)
- 573. Hosta – Variegated (1 Leaf Named)
- 574. Hydrangeas (3 Blooms)
- 575. Kniphofia Red Hot Poker (3 Blooms)
- 576. Liatris Gay Feather (3 Blooms)
- 577. Phlox (3 Blooms)
- 578. Rudbeckia (3 Blooms)
- 579. Scabiosa – Any Variety (3 Stems)
- 580. Shasta Daisy (3 Stems)
- 581. Veronica (3 Blooms)
- 582. Any Other

DIVISION 6

ROSES (CUT PLANT MATERIAL)

- 583. Pink
- 584. Red
- 585. White
- 586. Spray – Miniature/Standard
- 587. Rose Bowl
- 588. Miniature
- 589. Any Other

DIVISION 7

OTHER

- 590. Patio Planter – Combination of Plants
- 591. Patio Topiary – Sculpture
- 592. Living Wreath
- 593. Vegetable Planter – One or More Variety
- 594. Herb Planter
- 595. Pelargonium – Scented
- 596. Pelargonium – Red
- 597. Pelargonium – Any Other
- 598. Hanging Flowering Plant – Outdoor Patio
- 599. Hanging Foliage Plant – Outdoor Patio
- 600. Fairy Garden

DIVISION 8

BONSAI TREE OR SHRUB

(must be in owner's possession for a minimum of one year.)

- 601. Evergreen
- 602. Flowering
- 603. Maples
- 604. Jade
- 605. Willow
- 606. Any other Tree or Shrub

DEPARTMENT 48 OPEN HORTICULTURE

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EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to Floral Hall between 12:00pm-4:00pm on Saturday before Fair. Judging of all entries will be com-

pleted after 5pm Saturday before Fair. The building will not be open to the public during judging.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair, between 8:00am-12:00pm. CCAIS is not responsible for exhibits not picked up by set times.

One entry per class. Any exhibitor not having competition shall be entitled to first premium only if deemed worthy. Exhibitors are responsible for properly completing entry tags issues by the Fairgrounds Office, entry tags not properly completed may disqualify exhibit for display. Exhibits shall have been grown by the exhibitor, otherwise the entry may be disqualified.

Garden Produce: All garden produce must be grown in 2026 by the exhibitor. Where exhibits are specified on plates, use 9" diameter or square disposable plates. Unwholesome or poor-quality exhibits will not be accepted for display, entry feed will be forfeited. Exhibits for best display must be separate from and in addition to all other entries.

Scarecrows: Must be freestanding or cannot exceed 4 ft tall, 3 ft wide and be able to be hung on the wall; T-construction recommended. Due to space constraints, freestanding scarecrows may have to be placed in another area or outside, please keep that in mind while creating.

PREMIUMS (Division 1-8, Division 9 Classes 392, 394-400):

1st - \$5.00, 2nd - \$4.00, 3rd - \$3.00

PREMIUMS (Division 9, Class 393):

1st - \$25.00, 2nd - \$20.00, 3rd - \$15.00

PREMIUMS (Division 10):

1st - \$10.00, 2nd - \$8.00, 3rd - \$6.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each division.

Special plaque for Best Hot Pepper Lot, in Memory of Ryan Rice donated by the Rice Family.

DIVISION 1

Tuber/Root/Bulb Vegetables

- 297. Beets- Table (3)
- 298. Carrots-Table (3)
- 299. Any Other (3)
- 300. Onion- Red (3)
- 301. Onion- Yellow(3)
- 302. Onion- White (3)
- 303. Onion-Green (Bunch of 10)
- 304. Parsnips- Field (3)
- 305. Rutabagas (3)
- 306. Garlic- Hardneck (3)
- 307. Garlic- Softneck (3)
- 308. Radish (3)
- 309. Turnips (3)
- 310. Potatoes- Russet (3)
- 311. Potatoes-Yellow (3)

- 312. Potatoes- Red (3)
- 313. Potatoes- White (3)
- 314. Potatoes- Sweet (3)
- 315. Potatoes- Purple (3)

DIVISION 2

Fruit Vegetables

- 316. Cucumber-Burpless (3)
- 317. Cucumber-Pickling (3)
- 318. Cucumber-Flat Dutch (3)
- 319. Pepper- Sweet Bell (2)
- 320. Pepper- Cayenne (3)
- 321. Pepper- Jalapeno (3)
- 322. Pepper- Sweet Banana (3)
- 323. Pepper- Hungarian Wax (3)
- 324. Pepper- Any other Pepper (3)
- 325. Pumpkin- Pie (1)
- 326. Pumpkin- Field (1)
- 327. Squash- Zucchini (3)
- 328. Squash-Summer (1)
- 329. Squash- Acorn (1)
- 330. Squash- Hubbard (1)
- 331. Squash-Buttercup (1)
- 332. Squash- Butternut (1)
- 333. Tomatoes- Red Beefsteak (3)
- 334. Tomatoes- Red Globe (3)
- 335. Tomatoes- Red Plum (3)
- 336. Tomatoes- Green (3)
- 337. Tomatoes- Yellow (3)
- 338. Tomatoes-Cherry (1 pint)
- 339. Tomatoes- Grape (1 pint)
- 340. Eggplant (2)
- 341. Any Other (3)

DIVISION 3

Leaf/Stem/Flower Vegetable

- 415. Broccoli (1 Head)
- 416. Cabbage-Ball (1 Head)
- 417. Cabbage-Red (1 Head)
- 418. Cabbage-White (1 Head)
- 419. Cabbage- Flat Dutch (1 Head)
- 420. Cauliflower (1 Head)
- 421. Kale (3 leaves)
- 422. Lettuce -Head (1)
- 423. Lettuce- Bunch (10 Leaves)
- 424. Rhubarb (3 stalks w/leaf base)
- 425. Swiss Chard (10 leaves)
- 426. Spinach (10 leaves)

DIVISION 4

Seeds/Pods/Nuts

- 351. Beans- Green String (12 pods on plate)
- 352. Beans- Green Stringless (12 pods on plate)
- 353. Beans- Yellow wax (12 pods on plate)
- 354. Beans- Other (12 pods on plate)
- 355. Sweet Corn (3 Ears in husk)
- 356. Green Peas (12 pods on plate)
- 357. Okra (3)
- 358. Pumpkin Seeds(1 pint)
- 359. Sunflower Seeds (1 pint)
- 360. Any other edible seed (1 pint)
- 361. Walnut (1 quart, ½ cracked)

362. Chestnut (1 quart, ½ cracked)
363. Any other nut (1 quart, ½ cracked)

DIVISION 5

Heirloom Fruits and Vegetables

401. Beans (12 Pods on a Plate)
402. Peppers (3)
403. Tomatoes (3)
404. Apples (3)
405. Potatoes (3)
406. Any Other (3)

Division 6

Tree Fruit

364. Apples- Red when ripe (3)
365. Apples- Green when ripe (3)
366. Apples- Yellow when ripe (3)
367. Apples- Crab (3)
368. Pears- Bartlett (3)
369. Pears- Bosc (3)
370. Pears- Any other (3)
371. Peaches (3)
372. Nectarines (3)
373. Plums (3)
374. Any other tree fruit (3)

Division 7

Other Fruit

375. Melon- Honeydew (1)
376. Muskmelon or Cantaloupe (1)
377. Watermelon (1)
378. Grapes (1 cluster)
379. Blueberries (1/2 pint)
380. Gooseberries (1/2 pint)
381. Blackberries(1/2pint)
382. Raspberries (1/2 pint)
383. Any other fruit

Division 8

Herbs

- (Fresh stems in water vase/jar)
384. Lavendar (5)
385. Sage(5)
386. Mint (5)
387. Basil (3)
388. Dill(3)
389. Parsley (3)
390. Chives (1" bunch)
391. Any other (3)

Division 9

Collections

392. Display of Vegetables (10 or more varieties)
393. Display of Fruits and Vegetables (16 or more varieties)
394. Squashes (5 or more varieties)
395. Gourds (6 or more varieties)
396. Apples (3 or more varieties)
397. Tomatoes (5 or more varieties)
398. Hot Peppers (3 or more varieties)
399. Nuts (3 or more varieties)

Division 10

Special Exhibits

407. Largest Pumpkin (by weight)
408. Largest Squash (by weight)
409. Largest watermelon (by weight)
410. Largest tomato (by circumference)
411. Scarecrow-Traditional Theme
412. Scarecrow- Artistic Theme
413. Decorated Pumpkin, squash or large gourd.

DEPARTMENT 49 OPEN GROUP EXHIBITS

**Call the Fairgrounds Office for the
Superintendent's Information
269-781-8161**

Dept 49 is limited to the first 4 signups. Exhibitor form can be found at the fairground's office NOT on ShoWorks (Entry fee for Dept 49 is \$10).

EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be set-up in Floral Hall by 5:00pm on Sunday of Fair . Judging of all entries will begin Tuesday of Fair at 9:00am.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair, between 8:00am-12:00pm. CCAIS is not responsible for exhibits not picked up by set times.

Groups must fill out entry forms and turn them into the Fairgrounds Office no later than June 13th, 2026 at 5:00pm. This department is for community clubs, youth groups, granges, townships, farmers clubs, or agricultural clubs. The 2026 fair theme ("Stars, Stripes and Hot Summer Nights!") should be used. No part of this exhibit can be used in any other exhibit. Exhibit must remain intact and in first class condition for the duration of the fair. Judging will be based on: Quality 40%, Education 30%, Variety 15%, and Arrangement 15%.

PREMIUMS:

1st - \$85.00, 2nd - \$75.00, 3rd - \$65.00, 4th - \$55.00

DIVISION 1

DISPLAY

100. Best Exhibit

OPEN PEE WEE YOUTH

There is no longer an Open Pee Wee Department. If you were planning to sign a child up for Open Pee Wee, we still have great options available!

Anyone looking to enter a child in Open Pee Wee Crafts can find similar classes within the following departments:

- Dept. 42 – Open Fine Arts & Folk Arts
- Dept. 41 – Open Culinary
- Dept. 40 – Open Needlework
- Dept. 47 – Open Floriculture
- Dept. 48 – Open Horticulture

Exhibitor fee is \$10 per participant.

We encourage you to explore those departments for a variety of fun and creative opportunities!

YOUTH NON-LIVESTOCK PROJECTS

DEPARTMENT 51 4-H CLOVERBUDS

**Cressie Vargo
Superintendent
vargocre@msu.edu**

EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to the New Belcher Building for judging on Saturday before Fair . *Judging takes place Saturday before Fair , 2026 from 9am-12pm.* PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARRIVE WITH ENOUGH TIME TO HAVE ALL OF YOUR PROJECTS JUDGED PRIOR TO 12PM. SOME LINES ARE LONG, SO MAKE SURE YOU ALLOW TIME FOR WAITING IN THOSE LINES.

Open to 4H members ages 5-7. Contact the MSU Extension Office or your club leader for an entry form and additional information.

Evaluation is done on a non-competitive basis with participation awards only. No premium money is paid. Youth should know how the exhibit was prepared from beginning to end and be prepared to talk to the judge about that process.

DEPARTMENT 53 YOUTH/4-H BARREL DECORATING

**Neisha Hart
Superintendent
269-967-6149**

Exhibitor form can be found at the fairground's office NOT on ShoWorks (Entry fee for Dept 53 is \$10)

EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be dropped off by 9:00 am Saturday before fair at the New Belcher Building. Judging will take place at that time.

Entry forms must be turned into the Fairgrounds Office by June 13th at 5:00pm. Barrels must be picked up the week of July 5-8, 2026, during fairgrounds office hours (call 269-781-8161 to confirm).

Acrylic paint must be used and finished with a clear coat for durability. The top 6-inches of barrels should be a background color only, as this is covered by a trash bag when in use.

PREMIUMS:

1st - \$10.00, 2nd - \$9.00, 3rd - \$8.00, 4th - \$7.00, 5th - \$6.00, 6th - \$5.00, 7th - \$4.00, 8th - \$3.00, 9th - \$2.00, 10th - \$1.00

DIVISION 1 GROUPS

2500. Barrel Decorating – Groups

DIVISION 2 INDIVIDUALS

2600. Barrel Decorating – Individuals

DEPARTMENT 55 YOUTH/4-H BARN DECORATING (LIVESTOCK CLUBS)

Melinda Hautau
Superintendent
616-283-1294

Exhibitor form can be found at the fairground's office NOT on ShoWorks (Entry fee for Dept 55 is \$10)

EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be set-up by 2:00 pm on Sunday of Fair. Judging of all entries will begin no sooner than 2:00 pm on Sunday of Fair.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair, between 8:00am-12:00pm. CCAIS is not responsible for exhibits not picked up by set times.

Youth clubs must fill out entry forms and turn them into the Fairgrounds Office by June 13th by 5:00pm. **This class can only be entered by using the special exhibits form, available at the Fairground's office or the MSU Extension office.** Only one entry per club should be made. Once your form is turned in, you will be given criteria for judging. Designs should reflect the 2026 fair theme ("Stars, Stripes and Hot Summer Nights!"). All types of materials may be used if they are fire resistant (if in doubt, check with the Fire Marshal). Displays must be kept neat/clean and focus on making the general public aware of youth opportunities. Judging will consider overall decoration, effective use of space, and educational effect. See fairgrounds office for scorecard example.

PREMIUMS:

1st - \$15.00, 2nd - \$14.00, 3rd - \$13.00, 4th - \$12.00, 5th - \$11.00, 6th - \$10.00, 7th - \$9.00, 8th - \$8.00, 9th - \$7.00, 10th - \$6.00, 11th - \$5.00, 12th - \$4.00, 13th - \$3.00, 14th - \$2.00, 15th - \$1.00

DIVISION 1 LIVESTOCK CLUB DECORATING 3700. Barn Decorating

DEPARTMENT 56 YOUTH/4-H BOOTH DECORATING

Melinda Hautau
Superintendent
616-283-1294

Exhibitor form can be found at the fairground's office NOT on ShoWorks (Entry fee for Dept 56 is \$10)

EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be set-up in the Boys & Girls Building by 2:00pm on Sunday of Fair. Judging of all entries will begin no sooner than 2:00 pm on Sunday of Fair.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair, between 8:00am-12:00pm. CCAIS is not responsible for exhibits not picked up by set times.

Only 1 special exhibit form per Youth club (no individual exhibitors will be accepted) must fill out and turned into the Fairgrounds Office by June 13th by 5:00pm. **This class can only be entered by using the special exhibits form, available at the Fairground's office or the MSU Extension office.** Once your form is turned in, you will be given criteria for judging. Designs should reflect the 2026 fair theme ("Stars, Stripes and Hot Summer Nights!"). All types of materials may be used if they are fire resistant (if in doubt, check with the Fire Marshal). Displays must be kept neat/clean and focus on making the general public aware of youth opportunities. Judging will consider overall decoration, effective use of space, and educational effect. See fairgrounds office for scorecard example.

PREMIUMS:

1st - \$15.00, 2nd - \$14.00, 3rd - \$13.00, 4th - \$12.00, 5th - \$11.00, 6th - \$11.00, 7th - \$10.00, 8th - \$9.00, 9th - \$8.00, 10th - \$7.00, 11th - \$7.00, 12th - \$7.00, 13th - \$5.00, 14th - \$5.00, 15th - \$5.00

DIVISION 1 NONLIVESTOCK BOOTH DECORATING 3600. Booth Decorating

DEPARTMENT 60 YOUTH/4-H NEEDLEWORK

Andrea Boughton
Superintendent
269-317-0176

EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to the new red building for judging on Saturday before Fair. Judging takes place Saturday before Fair, 2026 from 9am-12pm. **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARRIVE WITH ENOUGH TIME TO HAVE ALL OF YOUR PROJECTS JUDGED PRI-**

OR TO 12PM. SOME LINES ARE LONG, SO MAKE SURE YOU ALLOW TIME FOR WAITING IN THOSE LINES.

STYLE REVUE: Saturday before Fair, 2026 at 2:00 PM in the Old Belcher Building. All wearable projects welcome.

EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair, between 8:00am-12:00pm. CCAIS is not responsible for exhibits not picked up by set times.

Youth entered in this department must be appropriately enrolled and in good standing with a registered youth organization in Calhoun County. Classes are judged according to the Dutch Grading Scale, the scale is non-competitive. Projects are awarded an A, B, or C award based on completeness and adherence to the project guidelines.

Groups (exhibitor age as of January 1, 2026):

- Beginner – Ages 6-7
- Junior – Ages 8-11
- Intermediate – Ages 12-15
- Senior – Ages 16-21

PREMIUMS (all divisions):

A - \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

DIVISION 1 CLOTHING

- 2700. Garments Made (6-7)
- 2701. Garments Made (8-11)
- 2702. Garments Made (12-15)
- 2703. Garments Made (16-21)
- 2704. Any Other Worthy Garments Made
- 2705. Recycled Garments (Include Poster with Before and After Pictures)
- 2706. Costume Clothing

DIVISION 2 NON-GARMENT SEWING EXHIBIT Sewing skill is the focus for judging

- 2710. Pillowcases
- 2711. Sewn Bags and Purses
- 2712. Any Other Worthy Non-Garment
- 2713. Holiday Decoration

DIVISION 3 QUILTING, MACHINE EMBROIDERY (Beginner 6-7)

- 2716. Pieced and Tied Quilt
- 2717. Hand or Machine Quilted
- 2718. Wall Hanging or small quilted item (quilted bags, table runners. Potholders, quilted accessories, pillow, etc.)
- 2719. Original Design Quilt
- 2720. Quilted Clothing, apparel, or accessories
- 2721. Machine Embroidery
- 2722. Any Other Worthy Quilt

DIVISION 4**QUILTING, MACHINE EMBROIDERY****(Junior 8-11)**

- 2723. Pieced and Tied Quilt
- 2724. Hand or Machine Quilted
- 2725. Wall Hanging or small quilted item (quilted bags, table runners. Potholders, quilted accessories, pillow, etc.)
- 2726. Original Design Quilt
- 2727. Quilted Clothing, apparel, or accessories
- 2728. Machine Embroidery
- 2729. Any Other Worthy Quilt

DIVISION 5**QUILTING, MACHINE EMBROIDERY****(Intermediate 12-15)**

- 2730. Pieced and Tied Quilt
- 2731. Hand or Machine Quilted
- 2732. Wall Hanging or small quilted item (quilted bags, table runners. Potholders, quilted accessories, pillow, etc.)
- 2733. Original Design Quilt
- 2734. Quilted Clothing, apparel, or accessories
- 2735. Machine Embroidery
- 2736. Any Other Worthy Quilt

DIVISION 6**QUILTING, MACHINE EMBROIDERY****(Senior 16-21)**

- 2737. Pieced and Tied Quilt
- 2738. Hand or Machine Quilted
- 2739. Wall Hanging or small quilted item (quilted bags, table runners. Potholders, quilted accessories, pillow, etc.)
- 2740. Original Design Quilt
- 2741. Quilted Clothing, apparel, or accessories
- 2742. Machine Embroidery
- 2743. Any Other Worthy Quilt

DIVISION 7**KNITTING**

- 2744. Articles Made (6-7)
- 2745. Articles Made (8-11)
- 2746. Articles Made (12-15)
- 2747. Articles Made (16-21)
- 2748. Any Other Worthy Articles Made

DIVISION 8**CROCHETING**

- 2749. Articles Made (6-7)
- 2750. Articles Made (8-11)
- 2751. Articles Made (12-15)
- 2752. Articles Made (16-21)
- 2753. Any Other Worthy Articles Made

DIVISION 9**EMBROIDERY, CREWEL, CANDLEWICK**

- 2754. Beginner 6-7
- 2755. Junior 8-11
- 2756. Intermediate 12-15
- 2757. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 10**CROSS STITCH**

- 2758. Beginner 6-7
- 2759. Junior 8-11
- 2760. Intermediate 12-15
- 2761. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 11**NEEDLEPOINT**

- 2762. Beginner 6-7
- 2763. Junior 8-11
- 2764. Intermediate 12-15
- 2765. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 12**STUFFED TOYS**

- 2766. Beginner 6-7
- 2767. Junior 8-11
- 2768. Intermediate 12-15
- 2769. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 13**HOOKED PROJECTS**

Hooked projects must have finished edges. Exhibits with unfinished edges will be considered incomplete and receive a white ribbon.

- 2770. Beginner 6-7
- 2771. Junior 8-11
- 2772. Intermediate 12-15
- 2773. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 14**NEEDLEPUNCH**

- 2774. Beginner 6-7
- 2775. Junior 8-11
- 2776. Intermediate 12-15
- 2777. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 15**RUG & BLANKET MAKING**

- 2778. Rug Making (6-7)
- 2779. Rug Making (8-11)
- 2780. Rug Making (12-15)
- 2781. Rug Making (16-21)
- 2782. Blanket Making (6-7)
- 2783. Blanket Making (8-11)
- 2784. Blanket Making (12-15)
- 2785. Blanket Making (16-21)

DIVISION 16**NEEDLEWORK EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT**

- 2785. Sewing/Quilting
- 2786. Knitting/Crocheting
- 2787. Needlecraft

DIVISION 17**BUYMANSHIP**

Will demonstrate youth's knowledge of clothing buymanship, choice of either notebook or poster OR notebook and educational exhibit, showing some phase of clothing buymanship

- 2788. Beginner 6-7

- 2789. Junior 8-11
- 2790. Intermediate 12-16
- 2791. Senior 17-21

DIVISION 18**WEARABLE ART (Beginner 6-7)**

- 2793. Tie-dying
- 2794. Decorated Garment
- 2795. Folk/Tole Painting on Garment
- 2796. Stenciling on Fabric
- 2797. Splatter Painting on Fabric

DIVISION 19**WEARABLE ART (Junior 8-11)**

- 2798. Tie-dying
- 2799. Decorated Garment
- 2800. Folk/Tole Painting on Garment
- 2801. Stenciling on Fabric
- 2802. Splatter Painting on Fabric

DIVISION 20**WEARABLE ART (Intermediate 12-15)**

- 2803. Tie-dying
- 2804. Decorated Garment
- 2805. Folk/Tole Painting on Garment
- 2806. Stenciling on Fabric
- 2807. Splatter Painting on Fabric

DIVISION 21**WEARABLE ART (Senior 16-21)**

- 2808. Tie-dying
- 2809. Decorated Garment
- 2810. Folk/Tole Painting on Garment
- 2811. Stenciling on Fabric
- 2812. Splatter Painting on Fabric

DIVISION 22**JEWELRY**

- 2813. Beginner 6-7
- 2814. Junior 8-11
- 2815. Intermediate 12-15
- 2816. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 23**STYLE REVIEW**

- 2817. Style Review (6-7)
- 2818. Style Review (8-11)
- 2819. Style Review (12-15)
- 2820. Style Review (16-21)

DEPARTMENT 61 YOUTH/4-H CULINARY ARTS

Amy Jones
Superintendent
269-317-3433

EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to the new red building for judging on Saturday before Fair. *Judging takes place Saturday before*

Fair, 2026 from 9am-12pm. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARRIVE WITH ENOUGH TIME TO HAVE ALL OF YOUR PROJECTS JUDGED PRIOR TO 12PM. SOME LINES ARE LONG, SO MAKE SURE YOU ALLOW TIME FOR WAITING IN THOSE LINES.

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Groups (exhibitor age as of January 1, 2026):

- Beginner – Ages 6-7
- Junior – Ages 8-11
- Intermediate – Ages 12-15
- Senior – Ages 16-21

Culinary Arts Rules: Each exhibit in Divisions 1-9 must include the recipe(s) used and exhibitor answered scorecard. Any cheese, meat, or dairy ingredient exhibits are considered perishable, the judge will make the decision as to taste these exhibits (to exhibit these foods, include a picture of the food along with the food to judge). Yeast breads must be made from scratch (no bread machines). Mixes or premade pie crusts cannot be used as the main component of the project. All projects must include food.

Food Preservation Rules: Jars and containers must be labelled and dated. Each exhibit must include the recipe(s) used and exhibitor answered scorecard.

No recipe(s) or exhibitor answered scorecards required for Divisions 20, 21, 22

PREMIUMS (all divisions):

A - \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

DIVISION 1

FOOD & NUTRITION (BEGINNER 6-7)

- 2500. Cookies (4)
- 2501. Brownies or Bar Cookies (4)
- 2502. Cake Squares or Cupcakes (4)
- 2503. Coffee Cake or Quick Bread (1) or Muffins (4)
- 2504. Casserole or Hot Dish
- 2505. Salads or Cold Dish
- 2506. Any Other Worthy

DIVISION 2

FOOD & NUTRITION (JUNIOR 8-11)

- 2507. Cake Squares or Cupcakes (4)
- 2508. Coffee Cake or Quick Bread (1) or Muffins (4)
- 2509. Casserole or Hot Dish
- 2510. Salads or Cold Dish
- 2511. Pie or Whole Cake (1)
- 2512. Any Other Worthy
- 2593. Cookies (4)

DIVISION 3

FOOD & NUTRITION (INTERMEDIATE 12-15)

- 2513. Coffee Cake or Quick Bread (1) or Muffins (4)
- 2514. Casserole or Hot Dish
- 2515. Salads or Cold Dish
- 2516. Pie or Whole Cake (1)
- 2517. Other Desserts
- 2518. Any Other Worthy
- 2519. Cookies (4)

DIVISION 4

FOOD & NUTRITION (SENIOR 16-21)

- 2599. Coffee Cake or Quick Bread (1) or Muffins (4)
- 2520. Casserole or Hot Dish
- 2521. Salads or Cold Dish
- 2522. Pie or Whole Cake (1)
- 2523. Other Desserts
- 2524. Any Other Worthy
- 2525. Cookies (4)

DIVISION 5

YEAST BREAD

- 2530. Fancy Yeast Exhibit (Ages 6-11)
- 2531. Fancy Yeast Exhibit (Ages 12-21)
- 2532. Bread Loaf or Four Rolls (Ages 6-11)
- 2533. Bread Loaf or Four Rolls (Ages 12-21)

DIVISION 6

CAKE DECORATING

Exhibitors must display a different exhibit each year. All cakes are to be exhibited on a flat surface at least 2" larger than the cake. A completed cake decorating scorecard with frosting recipe must accompany the cake for judging. Cakes will be judged on decorating techniques only, not taste. Cakes will not be cut at time of judging.

- 2535. 1 Cake or 4 Cupcakes – Ages 6-11 (1st Year)
- 2536. 1 Cake or 4 Cupcakes – Ages 6-11 (2nd Year)
- 2537. 1 Cake – Ages 6-11 (3rd Year)
- 2538. 1 Cake – Ages 6-11 (4th Year & Up)
- 2539. 1 Cake or 4 Cupcakes – Ages 12-21 (1st Year)
- 2540. 1 Cake or 4 Cupcakes – Ages 12-21 (2nd Year)
- 2541. 1 Cake – Ages 12-21 (3rd Year)
- 2542. 1 Cake – Ages 12-21 (4th Year)
- 2543. 1 Cake, Variety of Tips – Ages 12-21 (5th

Year & Up)

- 2544. Gingerbread House

DIVISION 7

CANDY

Molded coatings will be judged on appearance alone. All other candies will be judged on appearance, taste, and conformity to exhibit requirements. Recipe must be included.

- 2550. 4 Pieces (Ages 6-7)
- 2551. 4 Pieces (Ages 8-11)
- 2552. 4 Pieces, 2 Types (Ages 12-15)
- 2553. 6 Pieces, 2 Types (Ages 16-21)

DIVISION 8

SUGAR MOLDS

- 2555. Beginner 6-7
- 2556. Junior 8-11
- 2557. Intermediate 12-15
- 2558. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 9

HEALTHY CHOICES

Exhibitor may use altered recipe to make the recipe healthy. Exhibitor must show a comparison to a regular recipe when exhibiting food & altered recipe.

- 2560. Beginner 6-7
- 2561. Junior 8-11
- 2562. Intermediate 12-15
- 2563. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 10

CANNING (BEGINNER 6-7)

- 2565. Vegetables (1 Type) – 2 Jars
- 2566. Fruits (1 Type) – 2 Jars
- 2567. Jams (1 Type) – 2 Jars
- 2568. Any Other Worthy (1 Type) – 2 Jars

DIVISION 11

CANNING (JUNIOR 8-11)

- 2570. Vegetables (1 Type) – 2 Jars
- 2571. Fruits (1 Type) – 2 Jars
- 2572. Jams (1 Type) – 2 Jars
- 2573. Any Other Worthy (1 Type) – 2 Jars

DIVISION 12

CANNING (INTERMEDIATE 12-15)

- Must include 2 or more types of products*
- 2575. Vegetables – 2 Jars
- 2576. Jellies, Jams, Sauce – 2 Jars
- 2577. Pickles or Relishes – 2 Jars
- 2578. Any Other Worthy – 2 Jars

DIVISION 13

CANNING (SENIOR 16-21)

- Must include 2 or more types of products*
- 2613. Jellies, Jams – 3 Jars
- 2614. Pickles, Relish, Vegetables – 3 Jars

2615. Meats – 3 Jars
2616. Any Other Worthy – 3 Jars

DIVISION 14

FREEZING (BEGINNER 6-7)

2580. Freezing (1 Type) – 2 Jars

DIVISION 15

FREEZING (JUNIOR 8-11)

2581. Freezing (1 Type) – 2 Jars

DIVISION 16

FREEZING (INTERMEDIATE 12-15)

Must include 2 or more types of products

2582. Freezing – 2 Jars

DIVISION 17

FREEZING (SENIOR 16-21)

Must include 2 or more types of products

2583. Freezing – 2 Jars

DIVISION 18

DRYING FOODS

Each exhibit must include 3 containers

2585. Fruit Leathers
2586. Fruits/Vegetables (1 Type) – Age 6-7
2587. Fruits/Vegetables (1 Type) – Age 8-11
2588. Fruits/Vegetables (2 Types) – Age 12-15
2589. Fruits/Vegetables (2 Types) – Age 16-21
2590. Spices & Herbs
2591. Jerky

DIVISION 19

CULINARY HERB MIXTURES

2595. Vinegar/Herb Mixtures (3 Containers, 3 types)
2596. Oil/Herb Mixtures (3 Containers, 3 types)
2597. Dry Mixture (3 Containers, 3 types)

DIVISION 20

TABLE SETTING

Will demonstrate knowledge in preparing a menu and setting a table for a formal meal

2600. Create a menu and make a table setting for 3 or more people (1st & 2nd Year)
2601. Create a menu and prepare table service for a buffet of at least 4 people (3rd & 4th Year)
2602. Create a menu and prepare a table setting or buffet with a special theme for 8 or more people (5th Year & Up)

DIVISION 21

PICNIC BASKET

Will demonstrate knowledge of packing a basket for a picnic

2605. 1st & 2nd Year
2606. 3rd & 4th Year
2607. 5th Year & Up

DIVISION 22

FOOD & NUTRITION EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

2610. Choice of either poster (12x22) OR note-book and educational exhibit showing some phase of foods & nutrition, will demonstrate knowledge of foods & nutrition
2611. Choice of either poster (12x22) OR note-book and educational exhibit showing some phase of outdoor meals, will demonstrate knowledge of preparing and/or serving outdoor meals
2612. Choice of either poster (12x22) OR note-book and educational exhibit showing some phase of food preservation, will demonstrate knowledge of preserving foods

DEPARTMENT 62 YOUTH/4-H FINE ARTS

Makayla and Jordan Myles
Superintendents
517-231-1839

EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to the new red building for judging on Saturday before Fair. *Judging takes place Saturday before Fair, 2026 from 9am-12pm.* **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARRIVE WITH ENOUGH TIME TO HAVE ALL OF YOUR PROJECTS JUDGED PRIOR TO 12PM. SOME LINES ARE LONG, SO MAKE SURE YOU ALLOW TIME FOR WAITING IN THOSE LINES.**

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Groups (exhibitor age as of January 1, 2026):

- Beginner – Ages 6-7
- Junior – Ages 8-11
- Intermediate – Ages 12-15
- Senior – Ages 16-21

Finished drawings and paintings must have matting or framing (exception: sketchbook)

PREMIUMS (all divisions):
A - \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

ONLY ONE ENTRY PER CLASS

Exhibit tags need to be completely filled out, both top and bottom. See guidelines for each class.

DIVISION 1

BEGINNER 6-7

3100. Pencil
3101. Sketchbook – At least 8 pages
3102. Pastels
3103. Acrylic
3104. Oil Painting
3105. Watercolor
3106. Graphic Arts
3107. Free Form Sculpture
3108. Ink Drawing
3109. Multi-Media
3110. Computer Generated Art
3111. Repetitive Form Sculpture (i.e. Legos)
3112. Mosaic non-resin

DIVISION 2

JUNIOR 8-11

3200. Pencil
3201. Sketchbook – At least 8 pages
3202. Pastels
3203. Acrylic
3204. Oil Painting
3205. Watercolor
3206. Graphic Arts
3207. Free Form Sculpture
3208. Ink Drawing
3209. Multi-Media
3210. Computer Generated Art
3211. Repetitive Form Sculpture (i.e. Legos)
3212. Mosaic non-resin

DIVISION 3

INTERMEDIATE 12-15

3300. Pencil
3301. Sketchbook – At least 8 pages
3302. Pastels
3303. Acrylic
3304. Oil Painting
3305. Watercolor
3306. Graphic Arts
3307. Free Form Sculpture
3308. Ink Drawing
3309. Multi-Media
3310. Computer Generated Art
3311. Repetitive Form Sculpture (i.e. Legos)
3312. Mosaic non-resin

DIVISION 4

SENIOR 16-21

3400. Pencil
3401. Sketchbook – At least 8 pages
3402. Pastels
3403. Acrylic
3404. Oil Painting
3405. Watercolor
3406. Graphic Arts
3407. Free Form Sculpture
3408. Ink Drawing
3409. Multi-Media
3410. Computer Generated Art
3411. Repetitive Form Sculpture (i.e. Legos)
3412. Mosaic non-resin

DEPARTMENT 63 YOUTH/4-H FOLK ARTS

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Groups (exhibitor age as of January 1, 2026):

- Beginner – Ages 6-7
- Junior – Ages 8-11
- Intermediate – Ages 12-15
- Senior – Ages 16-21

Divisions 2-7 will demonstrate knowledge of balance, form, and color. Division 4-7 classes are only intended for projects with no other divisions or classes listed, these classes are not for project to be exhibited twice.

PREMIUMS (all divisions):
A - \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

ONLY ONE ENTRY PER CLASS

Projects to be finished; this means ready to be hung or display. Exhibit tags need to be attached and completely filled out, both top and bottom. See guidelines for each class.

DIVISION 1 LEATHERCRAFT

- 3500. Two articles, one with lacing and one with tooling (Ages 6-7 or 1st Year)
- 3501. Two articles, one with lacing and one with advanced tooling (Ages 8-11 or 2nd Year)
- 3502. One article with any two of four techniques: advanced tooling, coloring, stitching, or lacing (Ages 12-15 or 3rd Year)
- 3503. Article without lacing, showing advanced tooling, dyeing, or coloring (Ages 16-21 or 4th Year)

Year & Up)

DIVISION 2 PAPER

- 3505. Paper Snipping
- 3506. Creative Twist
- 3507. Stenciling (on paper)
- 3508. Stamping (on paper)
- 3509. Quilling
- 3510. Scrap Booking
- 3511. Project using paper and/or Carboard, not listed above

DIVISION 3 BEGINNER 6-7

- 3513. Diamond Dots
- 3514. Stenciling
- 3515. Basket Weaving
- 3516. Decoupage
- 3517. Glass Etching
- 3518. Spring/Summer Decorations
- 3519. Fall Decorations
- 3520. Winter Decorations
- 3521. Bath Salts/Lip Balm/Essential Oils
- 3522. 3-D Printing – Original Design
- 3523. Resin
- 3524. Stepping Stones
- 3525. Tin Punch
- 3526. Jewelry Making
- 3527. Project using Yarn, String, Floss, etc.
- 3528. Project using Cloth
- 3529. Project using Metals
- 3530. Project using Wax
- 3531. Project using Glass
- 3532. Project using Recyclables
- 3533. Project using Sand
- 3534. Any Dolls – Cornhusk, Mop, etc.
- 3535. Any Macramé Project
- 3536. Modified Models
- 3537. Project using cement
- 3538. Any Other Worthy Project (doesn't fit any of the above)

DIVISION 4 JUNIOR 8-11

- 3550. Diamond Dots
- 3551. Stenciling
- 3552. Basket Weaving
- 3553. Decoupage
- 3554. Glass Etching
- 3555. Spring/Summer Decorations
- 3556. Fall Decorations
- 3557. Winter Decorations
- 3558. Bath Salts/Lip Balm/Essential Oils
- 3559. 3-D Printing – Original Design
- 3560. Resin
- 3561. Stepping Stones
- 3562. Tin Punch
- 3563. Jewelry Making
- 3564. Project using Yarn, String, Floss, etc.
- 3565. Project using Cloth
- 3566. Project using Metals
- 3567. Project using Wax
- 3568. Project using Glass
- 3569. Project using Recyclables

- 3570. Project using Sand
- 3571. Any Dolls – Cornhusk, Mop, etc.
- 3572. Any Macramé Project
- 3573. Modified Models
- 3574. Project using cement
- 3575. Any Other Worthy Project (doesn't fit any of the above)

DIVISION 5 INTERMEDIATE 12-15

- 3580. Diamond Dots
- 3581. Stenciling
- 3582. Basket Weaving
- 3583. Decoupage
- 3584. Glass Etching
- 3585. Spring/Summer Decorations
- 3586. Fall Decorations
- 3587. Winter Decorations
- 3588. Bath Salts/Lip Balm/Essential Oils
- 3589. 3-D Printing – Original Design
- 3590. Resin
- 3591. Stepping Stones
- 3592. Tin Punch
- 3593. Jewelry Making
- 3594. Project using Yarn, String, Floss, etc.
- 3595. Project using Cloth
- 3596. Project using Metals
- 3597. Project using Wax
- 3598. Project using Glass
- 3599. Project using Recyclables
- 3600. Project using Sand
- 3601. Any Dolls – Cornhusk, Mop, etc.
- 3602. Any Macramé Project
- 3603. Modified Models
- 3604. Project using cement
- 3605. Any Other Worthy Project (doesn't fit any of the above)

DIVISION 6 SENIOR 16-21

- 3615. Diamond Dots
- 3616. Stenciling
- 3617. Basket Weaving
- 3618. Decoupage
- 3619. Glass Etching
- 3620. Spring/Summer Decorations
- 3621. Fall Decorations
- 3622. Winter Decorations
- 3623. Bath Salts/Lip Balm/Essential Oils
- 3624. 3-D Printing – Original Design
- 3625. Resin
- 3626. Stepping Stones
- 3627. Tin Punch
- 3628. Jewelry Making
- 3629. Project using Yarn, String, Floss, etc.
- 3630. Project using Cloth
- 3631. Project using Metals
- 3632. Project using Wax
- 3633. Project using Glass
- 3634. Project using Recyclables
- 3635. Project using Sand
- 3636. Any Dolls – Cornhusk, Mop, etc.
- 3637. Any Macramé Project
- 3638. Modified Models
- 3639. Project using cement

Information subject to change. Check our website or social medias for the latest information!

3640. Any Other Worthy Project (doesn't fit any of the above)

DEPARTMENT 64 YOUTH/4-H CERAMICS

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EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to the new red building for judging on Saturday before Fair.

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AGE DIVISIONS (exhibitor age as of Jan 1, 2026)

Beginner- Ages 6-7

Junior- Ages 8-11

Intermediate – Ages 12-15

Senior- Ages 16-21

CERAMICS: Kiln fired pieces cleaned and painted by the exhibitor

Additional rules and guidelines are available at the MSU extension office and the Calhoun County Fairgrounds Office.

PREMIUMS (all divisions)

A-\$3.00, B-\$2.00, C-\$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class and Best of Show ribbon for top project of all divisions

DIVISION 1

BEGINNER (Ages 6-7)

- 3700. Staining
- 3701. Painting
- 3702. Dry Brushing
- 3703. Glazes- High or Low fired
- 3704. Wheel Thrown- Fired
- 3707. Hand Formed- Fired
- 3708. Any other worthy project

DIVISION 2

JUNIOR 8-11

- 3709. Staining
- 3710. Painting
- 3711. Dry Brushing
- 3712. Glazes- High or Low fired
- 3713. Wheel Thrown- Fired
- 3714. Hand Formed- Fired
- 3715. Any other worthy project

DIVISION 3

INTERMEDIATE 12-15

- 3716. Staining
- 3717. Painting
- 3718. Dry Brushing
- 3719. Glazes- High or Low fired
- 3720. Wheel Thrown- Fired
- 3721. Hand Formed- Fired
- 3722. Any other worthy project

DIVISION 4

SENIOR 16-21

- 3723. Staining
- 3724. Painting
- 3725. Dry Brushing- Antiqued, Bisqueware, Plaster ware
- 3726. Chalking-Antiqued, Bisqueware, Plaster ware
- 3727. Glazes- High or Low fired
- 3728. Wheel Thrown- Fired
- 3729. Hand Formed- Fired
- 3730. Any other worthy project

DEPARTMENT 65 YOUTH/4-H PHOTOGRAPHY

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Objectives of Photography Project: To provide youth with an interesting project or activity. To help members learn to use their camera to take pictures they will prize and cherish. To give guidance to help members develop skills in taking and using pictures, including composition, effective use of lighting, shooting, and mounting pictures. To help members learn how to spot and correct their mistakes (evaluate their pictures). To provide experience in recording events, ideas, and situations in picture form for study, reference, or use in other projects. To help youth learn to use photography as a communication art form.

Please review the Youth Photography Rules and Guidelines, available at the MSU Extension Office, the Fairgrounds Office, or online at www.CalhounCountyFairgrounds.com

PREMIUMS (all divisions):

A - \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

!!!IMPORTANT!!!

YOU MUST HAVE ENTERED AND EXHIBITED A CLASS FROM DIVISION 1 BEFORE YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO ENTER INTO A CLASS FROM DIVISIONS 2-5.

DIVISION 1

BASIC PROJECT

See Youth Photography Rules and Guidelines for complete requirements (available at MSU Extension Office, Fairgrounds Office, or online www.CalhounCountyFairgrounds.com)

- 3300. Adventures with Your Camera (Ages 11 & Under, or First year)
- 3301. Challenges (Ages 11-12, or Second Year)
- 3302. Exploring (Ages 12-14, or Third Year)
- 3303. Mastering (Ages 13-15, or Fourth Year)
- 3304. Career Series (Ages 15 & Up, or Fifth Year)
- 3305. Special Assignment or Self-Determined Project (Sixth Year and Beyond)

DIVISION 2

COLOR ENLARGEMENTS (AGES 13 & UNDER)

Entry in one class in Division 1 is required for eligibility to enter Divisions 2-5

- 3310. Building or Man-Made Structures
- 3311. Pets or Animals
- 3312. Landscape or Scenery
- 3313. Pattern or Design
- 3314. Still Life
- 3315. People or Portraits
- 3316. Digital Enhancements
- 3317. Miscellaneous

DIVISION 3

B/W ENLARGEMENTS (AGES 13 & UNDER)

Entry in one class in Division 1 is required for eligibility to enter Divisions 2-5

- 3320. Building or Man-Made Structures
- 3321. Pets or Animals
- 3322. Landscape or Scenery
- 3323. Pattern or Design
- 3324. Still Life
- 3325. People or Portraits
- 3326. Digital Enhancements
- 3327. Miscellaneous

DIVISION 4

COLOR ENLARGEMENTS (AGES 14 & OVER)

Entry in one class in Division 1 is required for eligibility to enter Divisions 2-5

- 3330. Building or Man-Made Structures

- 3331. Pets or Animals
- 3332. Landscape or Scenery
- 3333. Pattern or Design
- 3334. Still Life
- 3335. People or Portraits
- 3336. Digital Enhancements
- 3337. Miscellaneous

DIVISION 5

B/W ENLARGEMENTS (AGES 14 & OVER)

Entry in one class in Division 1 is required for eligibility to enter Divisions 2-5

- 3340. Building or Man-Made Structures
- 3341. Pets or Animals
- 3342. Landscape or Scenery
- 3343. Pattern or Design
- 3344. Still Life
- 3345. People or Portraits
- 3346. Digital Enhancements
- 3347. Miscellaneous

DEPARTMENT 66 YOUTH/4-H AGRICULTURE

**Amanda Shreve
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PREMIUMS (all divisions):
A - \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division.

DIVISION 1

AGRICULTURE CROPS

- 2262. Three Stalks of Corn (First Year Exhibitors Only)
- 2263. Field Beans (Gallon Ziplock Bag)
- 2264. Corn (10 Ears)
- 2265. Corn – Shelled (Gallon Ziplock Bag)
- 2266. Potatoes (32 Tubers)
- 2267. Wheat (Gallon Ziplock Bag)
- 2268. Oats (Gallon Ziplock Bag)

- 2269. Barley (Gallon Ziplock Bag)
- 2270. Soybeans (Gallon Ziplock Bag)
- 2271. Any Other Small Grain (Gallon Ziplock Bag)
- 2272. 20 Mounted Field Crops and Their Seeds Properly Identified (and Notebook)
- 2273. 20 Mounted Weeds and Their Seeds Properly Identified (and Notebook)
- 2274. Three-dimensional Exhibit Showing Growing Management of Lawn
- 2275. Three-dimensional Exhibit Showing How Crops Grow or are Processed
- 2276. Three-dimensional Exhibit Showing Biologically the Growth Process of One Type of Field Crop
- 2277. Three-dimensional Exhibit Showing How Field Crops are Marketed
- 2278. Three-dimensional Exhibit Showing Crop, Wee, or Insect Control
- 2279. Exhibit Showing Crops Grown in Calhoun County and Their Uses

DEPARTMENT 67 YOUTH/4-H FLORICULTURE

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Groups (exhibitor age as of January 1, 2026):

- Ages 6-7
- Ages 8-11
- Ages 12-15
- Ages 16-21

Divisions 1-4 flowers must be grown by exhibitor. Divisions 1-3 exhibits should be one flower over 3.5" diameter with foliage attached OR three flowers under 3.5" diameter with foliage attached. Flowers may be different colors. Division 4 will be best specimen with foliage attached. Division 6 exhibits must be cared for by the exhibitor at least 60 days in advance of fair. Division 7: all herbs must be grown by the exhibitor and can be exhib-

ited in any form, fresh cut herbs should be one bunch with stems one-inch in diameter, dried herbs should be one-inch bunch or 3 tablespoons of dried leaves or 1 tablespoon of dried seeds, each exhibit must include a label for each herb exhibited, culinary exhibits should include recipes with complete cooking directions.

PREMIUMS (all divisions):
A - \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

DIVISION 1

ANNUAL FLOWERS

- 2400. Beginner 6-7
- 2401. Junior 8-11
- 2402. Intermediate 12-15
- 2403. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 2

PERENNIAL FLOWERS

- 2405. Beginner 6-7
- 2406. Junior 8-11
- 2407. Intermediate 12-15
- 2408. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 3

GLADIOLUS AND DAHLIA

- 2410. Beginner 6-7
- 2411. Junior 8-11
- 2412. Intermediate 12-15
- 2413. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 4

ROSES

- 2415. Beginner 6-7
- 2416. Junior 8-11
- 2417. Intermediate 12-15
- 2418. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 5

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT

- 2420. Arrangement Using Flowers Grown by the Exhibitor
- 2421. Arrangement Using Natural Purchased Flowers
- 2422. Arrangement Using Dried Flowers Hand Gathered by the Exhibitor
- 2423. Arrangement Using Dried Purchased Flowers
- 2424. Fresh Corsage
- 2425. Dried Corsage
- 2426. Potpourri (Made by Exhibitor)
- 2427. Plaque or Framed Picture from Dried Materials
- 2428. Plaque from Dried Seeds
- 2429. Wreath (Made by Exhibitor)
- 2430. Wreath Made with Dried Materials Hand Gathered by Exhibitor
- 2431. Wreath Made with Purchased Dried Materials
- 2432. Wreath Made with Living Plant Material
- 2433. Silk Flower Arrangement Using Flowers

Handmade by the Exhibitor
2434. Silk Flower Arrangement Using Purchased Silk Flowers

DIVISION 6

POTTED PLANTS

- 2445. House Plants (Both Flowering and Foliage)
- 2446. Indoor Bulbs, Corms, Tubers, etc.
- 2447. Dish Garden
- 2448. Fairy Garden
- 2449. Terrarium
- 2450. Patio Planter
- 2451. Hanging Planter
- 2452. Educational Exhibit Related to Growing Flowers and/or House Plants
- 2453. Ornamentals (Trees, Shrubs, etc.) – Grown by Exhibitor, Entire Plant Required
- 2454. Three-dimensional Exhibit on Growing Ornamentals

DIVISION 7

HERBS

- 2470. Level One – 2 Kinds of Herbs + 1 of the Following Special Classes
 - 2471. Level Two – 4 Kinds of Herbs + 2 of the Following Special Classes
 - 2472. Level Three – 6 Kinds of Herbs + 3 of the Following Special Classes
- Special Classes:*
(Arrangements Using Fresh or Dried Herbs)
Herbal Wreaths
Fragrant Crafts
Culinary Items

DEPARTMENT 68 YOUTH/4-H HORTICULTURE

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All exhibitors should use MSUE Bulletin #1176 Selecting Vegetables for Exhibit for guidance on

proper container and number of vegetables to exhibit in this department. This bulletin is available at the MSU Extension Office, the Fairgrounds Office, or online at www.CalhounCountyFairgrounds.com. All exhibits in Divisions 1-5 should demonstrate knowledge of growing and/or processing vegetables, fruits, nuts, landscape, and heirlooms (as indicated by division and class).

PREMIUMS (all divisions):
A - \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

DIVISION 1

HOME GARDEN

- 2200. Beginner Home Garden (Ages 6-11 or 1st Year) – One 9" Plate of One Variety of One Kind of Vegetable
- 2201. Junior Home Garden (Ages 12-14) – One Box with Three Different Kinds of Vegetables, Each Vegetable the Same Variety
- 2202. Senior Home Garden (Ages 15-21) – One Box of At Least Five but not more than Twelve Kinds of Vegetables
- 2203. Largest Pumpkin
- 2204. Basket of Vegetables – Collection of Six or More Labelled Vegetables, Attractively Displayed on a Maximum Table Space of 24"x30"
- 2205. Wheelbarrow Exhibit – Collection of Ten or More Labelled Vegetables, Attractively Displayed in a Wheelbarrow
- 2206. Educational Exhibit with Articles Related to the Growing or Processing of Vegetables

DIVISION 2

COMMERCIAL GARDEN

- 2208. Junior (Ages 13 & Under) – One Box or Package of Crop Grown
- 2209. Senior (Ages 14 & Over) – One Box or Package of Crop Grown
- 2210. Educational Exhibit Showing Vegetable Propagation or Marketing

DIVISION 3

FRUITS AND NUTS

- 2215. Quart Container or Plate of Fruit Grown
- 2216. Educational Exhibit on Growing or Processing Fruits

DIVISION 4

LANDSCAPE

- 2220. Beginner Home Landscape (Ages 6-11) – Annual or Perennial Plants with Poster of Layout
- 2221. Junior Home Landscape (Ages 12-14) – Annual, Perennial, or Evergreen Plants with Poster of Layout
- 2222. Senior Home Landscape (Ages 15-21) – Annual, Perennial, or Evergreen Plants with Poster of Layout
- 2223. Home Landscape – Three-dimensional Exhibit of Complete Home Landscape Plan
- 2224. National Beauty Exhibit – Three-

dimensional Exhibit of a Community Beautification Project

DIVISION 5

HEIRLOOM VEGETABLES

All entries must be labelled as to variety

- 2230. Beginner (Ages 6-11)
- 2231. Junior (Ages 12-14)
- 2232. Senior (Ages 15-21)
- 2233. Largest Heirloom Pumpkin
- 2234. Basket of Vegetables – Collection of Six or More Labelled Heirloom Vegetables, Attractively Displayed on a Maximum Table Space of 24"x30"
- 2235. Wheelbarrow Exhibit – Collection of Ten or More Labelled Heirloom Vegetables, Attractively Displayed in a Wheelbarrow
- 2236. Educational Exhibit – Collection of Six or More Vegetables with One or More Heirloom Varieties and One or More Modern Varieties in Each Kind of Vegetable

DEPARTMENT 69 YOUTH/4-H INDUSTRIAL ARTS

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EXHIBIT ARRIVAL TIME: Exhibits must be brought to the new red building for judging on Saturday before Fair. *Judging takes place Saturday before Fair, 2026 from 9am-12pm.* **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARRIVE WITH ENOUGH TIME TO HAVE ALL OF YOUR PROJECTS JUDGED PRIOR TO 12PM. SOME LINES ARE LONG, SO MAKE SURE YOU ALLOW TIME FOR WAITING IN THOSE LINES.**

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ONLY ONE PROJECT PER CLASS CAN BE EXHIBITED

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Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division BASED ON JUDGES DISCRETION.

DIVISION 1

WOODWORKING (all projects must demonstrate the exhibitor's ability to Measure, Mark, Sand and Finish)

- 3005. Beginner (1st or 2nd Year) – One Useful

Article which Demonstrates Exhibitor's Ability to **Measure, Mark, Sand, and Finish**

3006. Intermediate (3rd or 4th Year) – Two Useful Articles OR One Large Article which Demonstrates Exhibitor's Ability to **Measure, Mark, Sand, and Finish**

3007. Advanced (5th Year & Up) – One Large Article with Door(s) or Drawer(s) which Demonstrates Exhibitor's Ability to **Measure, Mark, Sand, and Finish**

DIVISION 2 REFINISHING

3020. Refurnished Furniture Article, with 3-4 Photos Showing Article Before, During, and After Refinishing

3021. Antiqued Furniture Article, with 3-4 Photos Showing Article Before, During, and After Refinishing

DIVISION 3 WOOD ART

3025. Woodburning

3026. Wooden Lawn Ornament – Article Must Demonstrate Exhibitors Ability to Cut, Sand, and Finish

DIVISION 4 WELDING/METAL WORKING

May use gas, mig, tig, or arc

3330. Beginner (1st or 2nd Year) – Any Useful Article or Repair

3331. Advanced (3rd Year & Up) – Any Useful Article or Repair

DIVISION 5 AC ELECTRICITY

3035. Beginner (1st or 2nd Year) – Any Project or Board Demonstrating Exhibitor Knowledge of AC or Any Useful Article

3036. Advanced (3rd Year & Up) – Any Project or Board Demonstrating Exhibitor Knowledge of AC or Any Useful Project that Utilizes Multi-Switches/Circuits

DIVISION 6 DC ELECTRICITY

3038. Beginner (1st or 2nd Year) – Any Project or Board Demonstrating Exhibitor Knowledge of DC or Any Useful Article

3039. Advanced (3rd Year & Up) – Any Project or Board Demonstrating Exhibitor Knowledge of DC or Any Useful Project that Utilizes Multi-Switches/Circuits

3040. Educational Exhibit – Exhibit Illustrating Proper Use of Wires and Cords and/or Proper Electrical Connection and/or Proper Grounding

DIVISION 7 APPLICATIONS IN ELECTRICITY

3045. Exhibit Illustrating Proper Home Lighting, Use of Electricity for Heating or Cooling, Choosing Appliances, or Maintaining Appliances

3046. Exhibit Illustrating Generation Transmission or Distribution of Electrical Energy

DIVISION 8 AUTOMOTIVE CARE & SAFETY

3357. Beginner Automotive Care & Safety (Ages 13 & Under) – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Illustrating What Has Been Learned, Such as Cutaway, Display of Parts, etc.

3358. Senior Automotive Care & Safety (Ages 14 & Up) – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Illustrating What Has Been Learned, Such as Cutaway, Display of Parts, etc.

DIVISION 9 SMALL ENGINES

3360. Two Stroke Engines – Educational Display Illustrating Principles or Operation or Parts Identification

3361. Four Stroke Engines – Notebook Educational Display Illustrating Principles of Operation or Parts Identification

3362. Minor Overhaul – Engines or Pictures on Poster or Work with Story Telling What was Done (reconditioning, parts replaced, adjustment, etc.) and Procedures Used.

DIVISION 10 PANORAMAS

3585. Non-Livestock Farms

3586. Livestock Farms

3587. Trains

3588. Dollhouse

3589. Dollhouse Room

3590. Any Other Worthy

DIVISION 11 BUILDING KITS

Demonstrate the ability to follow directions, knowledge of scales, design and layout using Legos, k'nex, erector sets, etc.

3595. Project using Store Design

3596. Project using Exhibitor/Original Design

3597. Project using Similar Building Sets with Mixed Design

DEPARTMENT 70 YOUTH/4-H SAFETY

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EXHIBIT RELEASE TIME: Exhibits will be released Sunday after Fair , between 8:00am-12:00pm.

Information subject to change. Check our website or social medias for the latest information!

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ONLY ONE PROJECT PER CLASS CAN BE EXHIBITED

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PREMIUMS (all divisions):

A - \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division BASED ON JUDGES DISCRETION.

DIVISION 1 EQUIPMENT CARE & SAFETY

3365. Equipment Care & Safety – Educational Exhibit Showing Principles of Safe Operating, Identification of Parts of Equipment, etc.

3366. Recreational Equipment Care & Safety – Educational Exhibit Showing Principles of Safe Operating, Identification of Parts of Equipment, etc. for Snowmobile, Jet Ski, ATV

DIVISION 2 COMMUNITY SAFETY

3400. Home & Farm Safety – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing How to Recognize and/or Remove Safety Hazards and Hazardous Practices in the Home or on the Farm (Except Tractor, Auto, Bicycle, etc.)

3401. Bicycle Safety – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing Principles of Safe Bicycle Operation

3402. BB Gun Safety – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing Safety Rules, Targets, Equipment Used, etc.

3403. Hunter Safety (Archery) – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing Safe and Effective Archery Habits, Equipment Used, etc.

3404. Hunter Safety (Guns) – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing Various Arms and Ammunition, Safe Gun Handling, Laws and Ethics Concerning Firearms, etc.

3405. Hunter Safety (Any Other Worthy) – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing Safe and Effective Use of any Equipment Used

DIVISION 3 FIRE PREVENTION

3406. Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing How to Recognize and Correct Fire Hazards

DIVISION 4

FIRST AID

3407. First Aid – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing First Aid Skills and Practices

DEPARTMENT 71 YOUTH/4-H EDUCATION, LEADERSHIP, & THE FAMILY

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PREMIUMS (all divisions):

A - \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

DIVISION 1 CHILD CARE

2850. Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing Knowledge Gained About Young Children through Babysitting and Child Care Study

DIVISION 2 LIVING IN A FAMILY

2860. Beginner (Ages 6-7) – Family Study Notebook and Poster Showing Stages and Changes in the Life of a Family, Ways that a Family Builds its Own Kind of Family, etc. (Minimum 10 Pages)

2861. Junior(Ages 8-11) – Family Study Notebook and Poster Showing Stages and Changes in the Life of a Family, Ways that a Family Builds its Own Kind of Family, etc. (Minimum 12 Pages)

2862. Intermediate (Ages 12-15) – Family Study Notebook and Poster Showing Stages and Changes in the Life of a Family, Ways that a Family Builds its Own Kind of Family, etc. (Minimum 16 Pages)

2863. Senior (Ages 16-21) – Family Study Notebook and Poster Showing Stages and Changes in the Life of a Family, Ways that a Family Builds its Own Kind of Family, etc. (Minimum 16 Pages)

2864. Beginner (Ages 6-7) – Notebook Chronicling a Family or Personal Event Using Photographs and/or Creatively Displayed Mementos
2865. Junior (Ages 8-11) – Notebook Chronicling a Family or Personal Event Using Photographs and/or Creatively Displayed Mementos
2866. Intermediate (Ages 12-15) – Notebook Chronicling a Family or Personal Event Using Photographs and/or Creatively Displayed Mementos
2867. Senior (Ages 16-21) – Notebook Chronicling a Family or Personal Event Using Photographs and/or Creatively Displayed Mementos

DIVISION 3 MANAGEMENT FOR YOU IN YOUR FAMILY

2870. Ages 12-21 – Three-dimensional Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster

DIVISION 4 HOME DESIGN

2880. Home Design – Remade or New Article (Except Furniture) Made by the Exhibitor to Improve the Home OR A Model or Well Designed Room OR a Home Design Notebook and Poster Showing Some Phase of Home Design or Improvement

DIVISION 5 CREATIVE WRITING

Writing pieces will be returned to booths by Monday. Creative writing comment sheet (available at the Fairgrounds Office) must accompany each entry. Entries will be judged on correct spelling, punctuation, grammar, organization, clarity, originality, and neatness.

3200. News Reports and Featured Editorials – Should Demonstrate Knowledge of Proper Newspaper Story Form

3201. Poetry (Collection of 4 or More Poems)

3202. Short Story – Can be Based on Fact or Imagination

3203. Non-fiction – Can Center on Any Topic, must be Well Supported by Facts, Should Include a Title Page and Bibliography

3204. Plays – Must have Well Developed Characters, must be Written in the Form of a Play Which Could be Performed on a Stage

3205. Music Composition – Should be Submitted on Composition Paper, recommended that a Recording of its Performance be Submitted with the Sheet Music

DIVISION 6 LEADERSHIP/COMMUNITY SERVICE

3410. Junior Leadership (Ages 11 & Under) – Notebook and/or Educational Exhibit

3411. Teen Leadership (Ages 12 & Up) – Notebook and/or Educational Exhibit

3412. Junior Community Service (Ages 11 & Under) – Educational Exhibit Describing Individual Community Service Performed

3413. Teen Community Service (Ages 12 & Up) – Educational Exhibit Describing Individual Community Service Performed

3414. Group Community Service – Group Note-

book and Educational Exhibit Describing Group Community Service Performed

DIVISION 7 PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

3420. Personal Development – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing Desirable Personal Development Characteristics Resulting from Peer Plus, Group Dynamite, Stress Connection, Quest, or Other Similar Activities

3421. Career Planning – Three-dimensional Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster

DIVISION 8 PERSONAL IMPROVEMENT

2802. Personal Improvement – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing Desirable Personal Health Practices and Attitudes, Development of a Neat and Attractive Appearance, etc.

DIVISION 9 PASSPORT TO UNDERSTANDING

3430. Folk Pattern – Three-dimensional Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster on Folklore (Include Folk Patterns Information)

3431. American Heritage – Three-dimensional Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster

3432. African Cultural Heritage – Three-dimensional Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster

3433. International Citizenship – Three-dimensional Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster

DEPARTMENT 72 YOUTH/4-H GENERAL MARKET PROJECTS

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Superintendent

1. A General Market Project Sale will be **held at the Covered Arena**. Each project for auction must also have market records completed and judged.
DATE/TIME: Saturday of Fair, 3:00pm.

2. Projects entered in the auction may come from the following areas:

- Department 8 – Youth Sheep, Divisions 1-9, Classes 1411-1413
- Department 60 – Needlework, Division 1-5, Div 18-21, and Div 22
- Department 61 – Culinary Arts, Division 9-17
- Department 62 – Fine Arts
- Department 63 – Folk Arts
- Department 64 – Ceramics
- Department 65 – Photography
- Department 67 – Floriculture, Division 5-7
- Department 69 Industrial Arts, Division 1-4

3. Basic General Market Projects should include one item or a group of the same item (i.e. one pair of earrings or six pairs of earrings; but not earrings, a sash, and a satchel). Advanced Fair Week August 16-22, 2026 | 63

Projects should include more than one item from separate classes (i.e. a basket of embroidered towels, a ceramic decoration, and a handmade wooden spatula). Each of these items will be judged in their respective areas and then combined later for market judging. All ribbons won in other areas should be clearly labelled before being displayed with the items in the General Market Booth.

4. Each member is only allowed to sell one item from Division 8 (Basic-one individual item) and one from Division 9 (Advanced -a group of items).

5. Each youth must register their market projects on the Exhibitor Entry Form.

6. Each participant must enter both the project to be auctioned (from Division 9/Division 12) and the market records (from Division 10/Division 13). Original marketing, Division 11, is an optional Class.

7. Project records will be judged by the Market Project judge and should be presented to the judge with the project. Each project will be judged by the judge in that area. For example, a sewing project will be judged by the sewing judge first and then taken to the Market judge with the records for judging. For advance projects, choose the area that contains the most such as canned goods displayed with other kitchen items would go to the foods judge.

8. General market records and project must receive an "A" or "B" on judging day, for the related market project to be eligible for the auction sale. It is the responsibility of the club member to follow the guidelines available from the fair office for general craftsmanship of a project. This is especially for woodworking, industrial arts, ceramics, and flower arrangements.

9. Should the market project receive a "C" award or if the market records earn a "C" award, the project is displayed during fair week and premium is awarded, however the member will NOT be allowed to sell the project in the auction.

10. The general market project must be displayed in the General Project Auction Booth in the Boys and Girls Building for the week. Not in the regular club booth. Project may be dropped off as soon as they are judged. Projects are released to the buyers after the buyer has completed paperwork at the auction. Records will be available for pick up on Sunday after Fair week (9am-12pm).

11. **Responsibility of buyer:** Pay for item in full on auction day. Conglomerates of buyers are allowed and will need one representative to collect money from its' members and make payment on auction day in order to receive auction item.

12. Youth wishing to sell additional items will need to market those privately (similar to youth livestock exhibitors who sell an extra hog or lamb)

13. All exhibitors must be dressed appropriately. Jeans/dress pants/nice shirts. Business casual dress is suggested at a minimum.

14. Commission will be 10% of the amount of the sale during the auction. This is used for promotion of the following year's auction.

15. Publicity will be similar if not the same as

animal auctions. This includes a flyer designed, approved, and printed by the committee and distributed to the youth at an educational sales meeting organized and run by the committee.

16. All Exhibitors must be present to sell their item unless there is an approved conflicting youth event, such as a livestock show during fair.

17. It is best for all exhibitors to be present and sell their own project. In the case of a conflict with another youth event, youth will need to have approval prior to the beginning of fair and judging of project. Youth will need to fill out a form available at the fair office or extension office. They will need to indicate reason/event for not being present and have a person identified who will be selling your project for you. In the case of illness, youth will need to let us know as soon as possible and have a person identified who will be selling your project.

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

DIVISION 8

BASIC MARKET PROJECTS (SINGLE ITEM)

3593. Beginner 6-7

3594. Junior 8-11

3595. Intermediate 12-15

3596. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 9

ADVANCED MARKET PROJECTS (GROUPING)

3597. Beginner 6-7

3598. Junior 8-11

3599. Intermediate 12-15

3600. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 10

GENERAL MARKET PROJECT RECORDS

3601. Beginner 6-7

3602. Junior 8-11

3603. Intermediate 12-15

3604. Senior 16-21

DIVISION 11

GENERAL PROJECT MARKETING

3605. Beginner 6-7

3606. Junior 8-11

3607. Intermediate 12-15

3608. Senior 16-21

DEPARTMENT 73 YOUTH/4-H DEMONSTRATIONS

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DEMONSTRATION TIME: Thursday of Fair in the Boys & Girls Building. **You must sign up for the time at the 4-H Office in the Boys & Girls Building on Saturday before Fair .**

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Groups (exhibitor age as of January 1, 2026):

· Beginner – Ages 6-7

· Junior – Ages 8-11

· Intermediate – Ages 12-15

· Senior – Ages 16-21

Objective: Exhibitors will exhibit the ability to demonstrate any knowledge they may have to a crowd

Demonstrations using live animals will be conducted at the animal barns and will be scheduled as the first demonstrations of the day. An exhibitor may make two demonstrations provided they are not in the same project. An exhibitor may not do the same demonstration they have done in previous years. Sign up with the 4H Office on the fairgrounds by noon the Tuesday of Fair week for the time of your demonstration. An exhibitor must set up their own demonstration and furnish the necessary equipment. Guidelines for preparing and presenting a demonstration are available from the MSU Extension Office, the Fairgrounds Office, or online at www.CalhounCountyFairgrounds.com. Beginner and Junior demonstrations should be 3-10 minutes in length, Intermediate and Senior demonstrations should be 7-12 minutes in length. Points may be deducted for violation of these guidelines.

PREMIUMS (all divisions):

A - \$6.00, B - \$4.00, C - \$2.00

Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

DIVISION 1

INDIVIDUAL DEMONSTRATIONS

3500. Beginner Individual Demonstration

3501. Junior Individual Demonstration

3502. Intermediate Individual Demonstration

3503. Senior Individual Demonstration

DIVISION 2

TEAM DEMONSTRATIONS

3505. Team Demonstrations – 2 or More Youth, All Must Be Ages 6-15

3506. Team Demonstrations – 2 or More Youth, All Must Be Ages 16-21

3507. Team Demonstration – 2 or More Youth, At Least One Youth Ages 6-15, At Least One Youth Ages 16-21

DEPARTMENT 75 YOUTH/4-H NATURAL RESOURCES & ENTOMOLOGY

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PREMIUMS (all divisions):
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Rosettes for Best of Class in each class, Rosette for Best of Division in each division.

DIVISION 1 EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF CONSERVATION

Educational Exhibit OR Notebook OR Poster Showing Some Phase of the Class Subject

- 2301. Water Conservation
- 2302. Soil Conservation
- 2303. Forest Conservation
- 2304. Air Conservation

DIVISION 2 WILDLIFE RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

- 2310. Wildlife Where You Live – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook OR Poster Showing Habitat, Food and Cover, Needs and Importance, etc.
- 2311. Birds – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing Feeding Habits, Habitat, Distribution, etc.
- 2312. Fish – Educational Exhibit OR Notebook and Poster Showing Specific Studies of Fish and the Natural Environment, Importance of Fish, etc.

DIVISION 3 CONSERVATION APPRECIATION

Detailed Wildflower Conservation Appreciation Guidelines are available at the MSU Extension Office.

- 2315. Rocks and Minerals Collection – Year 1 (10 labeled and location)
- 2316. Rocks and Minerals Collection – Year 2 (15 new labeled and location (exhibit 25))
- 2317. Rocks and Minerals Collection – Year 3 (Rock/mineral 10 labeled, location, weight and use/purpose)

- 2318. Wildflowers – Year 1
 - 2319. Wildflowers – Year 2-3
 - 2320. Wildflowers – Year 4-6
 - 2321. Wildflowers – Year 7-10
 - 2322. Foliage Collection – Year 1 (10 pages)
 - 2323. Foliage Collection – Year 2 (15 pages)
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RECREATION

Exhibits must demonstrate a skill or participation in activity

Three-dimensional Exhibit OR Notebook OR Poster

- 3510. Recreation
- 3511. Camping

DIVISION 5 WEATHER

- 2330. Weather Poster or exhicational exhibit on weather in Michigan com-paring precipitation records or storm data over 25 years in 3 counties
- 2331. Weather Poster or exhibit on weather comparing precipitation records or storm data over 25 years in 3 different states.
- 2332. Weather information approved by the superintendent

DIVISION 6 VETERINARY SCIENCE POSTER (Include pictures and educational information)

- 3440. Normal Animal (Beginner 6-7)
- 3441. Normal Animal (Junior 8-11)
- 3442. Normal Animal (Intermediate 12-15)
- 3443. Normal Animal (Senior 16-21)
- 3444. Animal Diseases (Beginner 6-7)
- 3445. Animal Diseases (Junior 8-11)
- 3446. Animal Diseases (Intermediate 12-15)
- 3447. Animal Diseases (Senior 16-21)

DIVISION 7 INVENTIONS

3460. Exhibit an invention or innovation designed to solve a problem (*Should Include the Definition of the Problem to be Solved*)

DIVISION 8 BASIC ENTOMOLOGY (Guidelines are available at the MSU Extension Office)

- 2900. Basic Entomology I – Exhibit of 15 or More Labeled Insects (1st year only)
- 2901. Basic Entomology II – Exhibit of 30 or More Labeled Insects Representing 8 Orders (Use Standard 18"x24"x3.5" Exhibit Box)
- 2902. Basic Entomology III – Exhibit of 75 or More Labeled Insects Representing 11 Orders (Use 1-2 Standard Exhibit Boxes)
- 2903. Basic Entomology IV – Exhibit of 125 or More Labeled Insects Representing 11 Orders (In Standard Exhibit Boxes)

DIVISION 9 ENTOMOLOGICAL SKILLS

- 2920. Special Skills I (Illustration) – Prepare at least 5 Illustrations of Insects Showing Form, Habits, Life Cycle, etc.
- 2921. Special Skills II (Laminations) – Prepare at least 20 Wing Laminations, Including a Name for

Each Species

2922. Special Skills III (Plastic Embedment's) – Prepare at least 5 Plastic Embedment's or Various Species, Including a Name for Each Species

DEPARTMENT 76 YOUTH/4-H ROBOTICS

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Premiums (all divisions):
A- \$3.00, B - \$2.00, C - \$1.00

DIVISION 1 Robotics Log Notebook

Notebook showing the development or progression of knowledge and experience gained through the course of the project year. Title sheet, table of contents, and summary page are followed by records arranged chronologically or by category. May contain photos, notes, diagrams, meeting notes, research notes, certificates, etc.

- 4000. Lego Robotics Log Notebook (Beginner 6-7)
- 4001. Lego Robotics Log Notebook (Junior 8-11)
- 4002. Lego Robotics Log Notebook (Intermediate 12-15)
- 4003. Lego Robotics Log Notebook (Senior 16-21)
- 4004. General Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (all ages)

DIVISION 2 Individual Robotics

All classes in Division 2 must include a notebook about a robotic project worked on as an individual during the current year. You may include either a display robot or an informative poster.

- 4005. Lego Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (Beginner 6-7)
 - 4006. Lego Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (Junior 8-11)
 - 4007. Lego Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (Intermediate 12-15)
 - 4008. Lego Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (Senior 16-21)
 - 4009. General Robotics Project with Robot or Poster
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Poster (all ages)

DIVISION 3

Team Robotics

All classes in Division 3 must include a notebook about a robotic project worked on as a team during the current year. You may include either a display robot or an informative poster. All team members must contribute to the notebook. All team members must be present at judging.

4010. Lego Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (Beginner 6-7)

4011. Lego Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (Junior 8-11)

4012. Lego Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (Intermediate 12-15)

4013. Lego Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (Senior 16-21)

4014. General Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (all ages)

DIVISION 4

Robotic Study

Report or poster focusing on one aspect of Lego Robotics study during the year. May be an in depth report on an application, a technology, a manufacturer, a useful skill, various solutions to a particular engineering problem, etc. Report must be secured in a binder with a title page which should include name of focus area, youths name, and age as of Jan. 1 current year.

4015. Lego Robotics Study (Beginner 6-7)

4016. Lego Robotics Study (Junior 8-11)

4017. Lego Robotics Study (Intermediate 12-15)

4018. Lego Robotics Study (Senior 16-21)

4019. General Robotics Project with Robot or Poster (all ages)

DEPARTMENT 80 HORSE PULLING

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Open Pulls

OBJECT:

1. The value of draft animals depends upon their ability to pull and their capacity to endure sustained effort.
2. The object of this test is to determine the sustained maximum pulling capacity of each pair. These tests will also afford valuable scientific data on the relation between form and function in draft animals and will stimulate interest in the breeding and use of good draft horses. In particular it is desired:
 - a. To demonstrate the value of type, soundness, and proper breeding in the selection of horses intended for the long and arduous draft work.
 - b. To ascertain and to demonstrate the proper method of training and conditioning horses for long and severe draft work.
 - c. To encourage horsemanship in fitting harness

and in driving.

- d. To demonstrate the maximum pulling capacity of the horse.

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. Whipping or carrying a whip is forbidden. Undue use of lines, profanity, and shouting is prohibited.
2. **Entry fee \$20.00 per team.**
3. RULES ARE GOVERNED BY THE MICHIGAN HORSE PULLING BOAT ASSOCIATION. Detailed copies of these rules are available upon request.
4. If not a member of the MHBA, entrant must submit w/entry form, proof of liability insurance naming the CCAIS as an additional insured in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 or the CCAIS reserves the right to deny exhibitor eligibility to pull.
5. The pulling committee will be authorized to alter rules and regulations for the betterment of the pull and safety of the drivers.

Division 1

OPEN TO THE WORLD HORSE PULLS

Saturday before Fair 2026, beginning at 6:00pm

9000. Open Horse Pull Premiums for Open Class Horse Pulls \$1500.00 Purse * Money is to be paid on a graduating scale based on the number of teams competing* Trophies Given for 1st Place, Horsemanship, and Best Dressed

Division 2

CALHOUN COUNTY HORSE PULLS

Saturday of Fair 2026, beginning at 9:00am (Grandstands)

Rules:

1. Horses must be owned and stabled in Calhoun County.
2. All rules mentioned previously apply to this pull as well.
3. Boat and equipment will be furnished by the CCAIS.
4. All horses are subject to test for drugs of any kind.
5. Entry fee is \$10.00 per team or prove that you have already paid an open class entry fee to the Fair Office.
6. Teams can opt to pass all loads up to 4000 lbs.
7. All teams must pull at 4,500 lbs.
8. All teams to be eligible for a premium must successfully hook and attempt to pull a minimum of one load.

9100. Calhoun County Horse Pull Premiums for Calhoun County Horse Pulls Minimum of \$1200.00 premium purse. Money paid on a graduating scale based on the number of teams competing. Premium checks will be mailed. Trophies Given for 1st Place, Horsemanship, Best Dressed, and Best Matched.

DEPARTMENT 91 FAIR KING & QUEEN

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Meet and Greet: Monday, June 29th at 7:00PM on the Grandstand Stage at the Calhoun County Fairgrounds

Rehearsals: Rehearsals will be held in the Grandstand Stage at the Calhoun County Fairgrounds. All dates and times are scheduled according to the number of participants and determined at the Meet and Greet on June 29th. All rehearsals are mandatory unless arrangements are made.

Interviews: Tentatively scheduled for **Saturday, August 1st or Sunday, August 2nd**. Interviews will be held at the Governor's Mansion, Located across from the Fairgrounds in Marshall. Times are scheduled according to the number of participants and determined at the Meet and Greet on June 29th.

CONTEST: Sunday of Fair at the Grandstand Stage at the Calhoun County Fairgrounds. **Time: 2:00 PM**

Entry form (paper or ShoWorks), King and Queen application (found on the website @ www.CalhounCountyFairgrounds.com), and entry fees (\$10 per exhibitor) must be returned to the fairground's office on or before **June 12th, 2026**, at 5:00pm. Forms must be completed and returned with two wallet size head shot photos (not to be returned).

Must be between the ages of 16 and 21 years old on January 1st, 2026. Must be a resident of Calhoun County or be a current exhibitor in the Calhoun County Fair. Must be available for appearances during fair week and may be asked to attend various other events. Rehearsals are mandatory unless prior approval has been granted by the superintendent. Rehearsals and interview times will be announced closer to contest time and are subject to change based on the number of participants. Thank you notes must be stamped and turned into the fairgrounds office to receive premium checks.

PREMIUMS:

1st - \$100.00, 2nd - \$75.00, 3rd - \$50.00

DIVISION 1

FAIR KING & QUEEN

1100. Fair King

1101. Fair Queen

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TUESDAY - Kids Day



WEDNESDAY - Senior and Health Day



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SATURDAY - Teacher Appreciation Day



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