

YOUTH LIVESTOCK RULES

1. Entries shall be restricted to youth 8 to 18 years of age, or youth not graduated from high school.
2. Youth entered in the Youth Livestock Shows are required to be a 4-H, FFA or YLPA (Youth Leaders in Production Agriculture) member.
3. An exhibitor may have no more than 5 animals on the fairground premises at one time. This excludes open swine, poultry and rabbits.
4. All livestock must be displayed with a sign with the exhibitor's name, club or chapter, animal's breed and D.O.B. Animals without signs will not be judged for the Herdsman Award. No commercial farm signs can be displayed in youth exhibits.
5. Entries for all animals closes September 1, 2026. Entries from outside of our five counties will be accepted on a space available basis. This does not include market animals.
6. Animals must be in acceptable show condition.
7. The Modified Danish judging system will be used.
8. Additional premium money will not be paid on Grand and Reserve Grand Champions. Awards will be awarded.
9. All exhibitors must maintain their stall and pen space in a clean and sanitary manner. Animals must be clean and in the barn by opening of the fair, and remain in a clean condition until the close of the fair. All animal areas must be cleaned of shavings or hay when animals leave. This also applies to market animals that leave Sunday morning. If areas are not cleaned, \$50.00 will be deducted from the exhibitor's premium money, and youth will not be allowed to show the following year.
10. No water will be left in beds by dairy and beef exhibitors. All pans will be picked up. Youth are responsible for feeding and watering their animals. This rule excludes rabbits and poultry.
11. Bred by Exhibitor entries must be on entry form to qualify. If not registered on entry form, no ribbons or premiums will be awarded for this class. Animal must be registered. No leased animals are eligible for bred by exhibitor.
12. Exhibitors are allowed two animals per class in all livestock except market class.
13. Misconduct or failure to cooperate with the show management by the exhibitor, parents or other exhibitors will be reviewed by the Livestock Committee immediately and may result in the exhibitor being disqualified from the show.
14. It is mandatory that all exhibitors entering the show ring wear a buttoned down collared shirt with at least 3/4 sleeves, dark blue or black jeans or trousers worn at the waist. Closed toed shoes, no sneakers or flip flops. No hats or baseball caps in the show ring. 4-H, FFA or YLPA attire is strongly recommended. There will be no commercial advertising on the clothing. Exhibitors who do not adhere to this rule will not be allowed in the show ring. This rule also applies to the Parade of Champions and Market Sale for youth that showed animals. Chapter or club advisors may require 4-H, FFA or YLPA official dress and will take precedence over the above.
15. No writing or foreign objects (except leads and halters) on animals when showing or selling.
16. No sleeping or overnight staying in the barns unless approved by the livestock committee.
17. Exhibitor and animals need to be prompt when called into the show ring for show or market sale. If the exhibitor is late, they will be moved to the end of the sale.
18. Beef or dairy cattle will not be shown with horns.