



## **July 23 - July 29, 2024**

# **4-H/FFA Changes for 2024**

Please note the following changes to the schedule/fair book for 2024.

### Livestock General/Auction

- **Herdsmanship (keeping your spaces clean and welcoming) will be a big deal for 2024. Prizes will happen daily. Watch for more details when fair gets closer.**
- All exhibitors must be in good standings with the Fair Board (no unpaid bills) in order to receive exhibitor number. Bills will carry from year to year.
- All pens (under cages for poultry and rabbit) must be scooped clean and manure must be hauled to the closest bunker, failure to do so will result in \$50 stall cleaning fee.
- If an animal's health is in question, it will be asked to be removed and will not be eligible for auction.
- No private sales are permitted to be transported by the truck. If animals are not going through the auction you must make your own transportation arrangements.
- **Exhibitor number pick-up will be on Wednesday, July 24 from 4:00-6:00 PM at the fair office. Poultry exhibitors will receive their number at poultry check-in on Tuesday evening.**
- **Attend and help clean on Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup> and choose to attend either the June 15<sup>th</sup> clean-up day or July 20<sup>th</sup> set-up day and 4-H/FFA exhibitors will receive a \$10 Casey's gift certificate. MAKE SURE YOU SIGN IN!**

### Pre 4-H Youth Livestock

- All bucket bottle animals must be **checked in between 7:00 am – noon, Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Feeder calves must be checked in and weighed between 7:00 am – 9:00 am**

### Beef/Dairy

- All lead beef must check-in or cross the scale during the check-in period. Failure to do so will result in missed information.
- All market steers must meet a minimum average daily gain of 2.3 lbs per day or more to qualify for champion drive or to receive grand or reserve titles.
- All market heifers must meet a minimum average daily gain of 2.1 lbs per day or more to qualify for champion drive or to receive grand or reserve titles.
- **Animals are only allowed to show in ONE lead market animal class. Except: County Bred animals should sign up for the county bred class to return to the ring for special county champion awards.**
- **An exhibitor can sell up to 2 lead beef animals in the livestock auction. They must be market price. Any other market weight beef can sell directly to the truck.**

### Goat

- Rate of gain removed for all goats.
- County bred award added for animals that were bred and raised in Hancock County.

### Horse

- Check-in for county exhibitors and district exhibitors stalling is from 7:00 AM – 11:00 AM on Wednesday, July 24.
- **Thursday games show will start at 5:00 pm.**
- **Sunday check-out will end at 6:30 pm for those not staying for the auction on Monday.**

## Horticulture

- Judging for flowers and veggies will take place on Tuesday, July 23 from noon – 3pm.

## Poultry

- Check-in will be 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm on Tuesday, July 23.
- Latches for safety are allowed, but **MUST** be cleared with superintendent **PRIOR** to placement. If not they will be removed if needed.
- There will be 2 posted barn clean out times. Please make every effort to have the exhibitor or someone representing the exhibitor present to help clean out the barn at these times.
- **Animal well-being checks will be performed 3 times each day. If animals are found without water, they will be rechecked within 2 hours. Completely dry water dishes past the recheck time will result in a warning (Yellow zip tie). Second time offenses will no longer be eligible for auction (Red zip tie).**

## Rabbit

- **Show will start at 2:00 pm on Friday, July 26.**
- There will be 2 posted barn clean out times. Please make every effort to have the exhibitor or someone representing the exhibitor present to help clean out the barn at these times.
- Exhibitor must be present when rabbits are checked in. If they are not, rabbits will not be checked-in. If exhibitor has a conflict, make other arrangements with the rabbit superintendent.
- RABBITS HAVE TO HAVE PERMAMENT EAR TATTOOS PRIOR to coming to the fair. If rabbits are found to have no/not permanent, or a fresh tattoo (within a few days), or the wrong tattoo they will not be able to show. This is decided at the superintendent's discretion.
- Appropriate food and water dishes must be used. If rabbits are found without food or water the exhibitor will be found to fix the problem. If the problem persists, the exhibitor will be asked to take the animal home and not be eligible for auction.
- Latches for safety are allowed but **MUST** be cleared with superintendent **PRIOR** to placement. If not, they will be removed if needed.
- **No SELLING** of rabbits on the fair premises. You may advertise your rabbitry with **ONE** sign and have decorative name tags. You may not list your rabbits for sale or bring unidentified rabbits on the fairgrounds to sell.

## Sheep

- Check-in is from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Wednesday, July 24.
- County raised special award has been removed.

## Swine

- Limit of how many head you can show in each class has been removed.
- We will be able to sell animals to a packer from the auction again this year. There will also be an option to sell additional animals (even extras from home that didn't show) directly to the packer to help fill the truck.

## Static/Non-Livestock

- Judging for Clothing Event will take place on Tuesday, July 23 during all other static judging – must wear outfit for judging.
- Educational Presentations and Clothing Event Style show will take place with Share The Fun on Thursday, July 25 at 3:30 pm.
- \$15 Clothing Challenge class has been updated to \$20 Clothing Challenge Class (in 2023).
- The Thrifty Meal Challenge budget has increased from \$10 to \$11 (in 2023).