



PRE 4-H
YOUTH



2025 Fair Book

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**Entry Deadline: July 1st, 11:59 pm
July 22-28, 2025**



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The Hancock County Fair Board takes this opportunity to invite everyone in the county to "YOUR FAIR". The success of the District Fair is made possible through your continued support and interest in our youth—the leaders of tomorrow. We welcome everyone who is interested in our 4-H and FFA members as well as the many commercial exhibitors. The Fair Board hopes town and rural people will attend the fair to see what our young people have been learning with their clothing, home furnishings, foods, livestock and other project areas throughout the year. In addition, the many commercial exhibitors welcome you to visit their displays during the District Fair.

Evan Beshey, Fair Board President
Grace Wellik, Fair Board Secretary

General Rules and Regulations

1. The Fair Board reserves the right to interpret these rules and arbitrarily settle all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to the Fair.
2. No one will be permitted to drive around the fair buildings except to unload. All vehicles must be parked in the designated areas. Livestock trailers are to be parked in the racetrack pit area. All cars and trucks must be moved to the parking lot after unloading. Bicycles, mopeds, and motorcycles are to be parked near the entrance gate.
3. Under no circumstances will anyone or firm be allowed to place advertising matter upon buildings, fences or other places on the grounds, except by special permission of the Fair Board. Nor will anyone be permitted to distribute any advertising at any point outside the space assigned to them.
4. All decorations shall be flame proof or approved by the fire prevention bureau. All tents shall be flame proof and owners shall have proof of the same.
5. No animals shall be permitted around the food stands.
6. No animals (including dogs and cats) are allowed in the exhibit buildings.
7. Exhibitors of animals found with drug residues will forfeit any and all premium on animal. The exhibitor will reimburse any and all buyers for losses. The Fair Board reserves the right to deny the exhibitor from showing at a future Hancock County District Fair.
8. A six-foot (6') alleyway must be maintained in the cattle barn for safety purposes.

Judges and Judging

1. Every judge is asked to read the Hancock County District Fair rules and special rules of the department he/she is to serve.
2. Every judge shall report to the superintendent any exhibitor or exhibitors who in any way, whether by person or agents, interferes with the judging or shows disrespect toward the judge. The superintendent may demand an apology from such exhibitor and the Fair Board may withhold any or all premiums.
3. Exhibitors who are 3rd grade and under will not have livestock placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. and will not have livestock placed by ribbon groupings. The shows are meant for exhibition only.
4. Any decision as to soundness of any animal made by the official veterinarian and/or the judge shall be final.
5. The judge may use his/her own discretion in awarding a Grand and Reserve Grand Champion.

Hancock County District Fair Rules

1. The Hancock County District Fair Pre 4-H shows are open to all pre-school - 3rd grade youth who reside in Hancock County or a county that is adjacent to Hancock County.

2. **All livestock exhibitors must complete ENTRY by JULY 1st at 11:59pm online at hancockdf.fairentry.com . A \$25 late fee is charged per exhibitor for additional entries after July 1st. No entries will be accepted after July 15th. No entries will be refunded.**
3. See specific department for entry fee, class information, entry and release times. **Bucket bottle calf & feeder calves as well as bucket bottle lambs will enter on Wednesday. Pet, cat, and dog entry is on the day of their show.** No unauthorized livestock exhibits should be brought prior to the assigned time.
4. All exhibits will be released at 4:30 p.m., Sunday. Early removal of any exhibit may affect eligibility to show at future fairs. **No livestock trailers will be permitted on the fairgrounds until 4:30 p.m. on Sunday.**
5. **Exhibitors must check out with superintendents upon leaving on Sunday release time. Failure to completely clean out pens may result in a \$50 stall cleaning fee.**
6. All stalls and pens will be provided. Only hanging fans are to be used.
7. Members **must** furnish their own feed, bedding, and all necessary equipment for feeding and watering. Bedding will be available for purchase at the Fair Office. **NO STRAW** bedding will be allowed.
8. All cattle must be broke to lead for show in the halter classes.
9. Manure must be deposited at the designated areas.
10. Watchmen, as designated by fair board, will be present during the night to oversee livestock barns. No one is permitted to sleep in barns.
11. No dogs are allowed off leash except during judging.
12. No entry fees will be refunded.

Please note, Health Requirements comply with the State of Iowa District Fair health rules. A veterinarian will be on site to examine livestock exhibits as they are being unloaded or penned.

Pre 4-H Youth Bucket/Bottle Beef, Goat, or Lamb

Superintendent: Don & Sarah Hejlik

County & District Entry Fee: \$3.25 per entry

Check-In Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Wednesday, July 23

Show: 5:00 p.m., Friday, July 25 – order: Goats, Lambs, Calves

Release time: 4:30 p.m., Sunday, July 27

1. The Open Class is for youth who are pre-school through 3rd grade.
2. Animals must be born between March 1 and June 1 of the current year. Must be in possession of the participant within two weeks of birth.
3. **Animals must be bucket or bottle fed.** No nursing permitted.
4. Any participant may identify two (2) animals and exhibit one (1) at the county fair. Bucket Bottle animals are not eligible to be sold at the Fair Auction. Eligible animals can be shown only in the Bucket/Bottle Show by one exhibitor.
5. Animals will be shown at halter. Classes will be divided by species and then age of the exhibitors.
6. Exhibitors will be asked to display knowledge of: care and raising of their animal, showing of their animal (washing and brushing is permitted, no fitting), and general animal health and husbandry.
7. Third grade (3rd) participants may keep animals for exhibiting as breeding ewes, breeding heifers, breeding does, or market beef in 4-H for 4th grade. Market beef **MUST** be weighed in around Dec/Jan to be eligible to compete in the member's 4th grade year.
8. **IDALS requires all cattle at exhibitions to have USDA approved identification. Generic farm tags are not allowed. Approved tags must include the USDA shield.**
9. **All bucket bottle animals must have health papers. For sheep: valid up to 14 days prior to exhibition, for goats and cattle: valid up to 30 days prior to exhibition.**

Pre 4-H Bucket Bottle Goat

<u>Class#</u>	<u>Description</u>
40400	Bucket Bottle Goat

Pre 4-H Bucket Bottle Lamb

<u>Class #</u>	<u>Description</u>
40300	Bucket Bottle Lamb

Pre 4-H Bucket Bottle Calf

<u>Class #</u>	<u>Description</u>
40100	Bucket Bottle Calf

Pre 4-H Youth Feeder Calf

Superintendent: Brittney Holland & Taylor Nelson

County & District Entry Fee: \$3.25 per entry

Check In Time: 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 23

Show: 8:30 a.m., Friday, July 25

Release time: 4:30 p.m., Sunday, July 27

1. The open feeder calf class is for youth who are pre-school through 3rd grade.
2. Any newborn beef calf (steer or heifer) calved between January 1 and June 1 of the current year. Must be in possession of the participant within two weeks of birth.
3. **Animals must be nursed.**
4. Any participant may identify two (2) animals and exhibit one (1) at the county fair. The calf is not eligible to be sold at the Fair Auction. Eligible animals can be shown only in the open feeder calf class during the Market Beef Show—see Fair Schedule.
5. Calves will be shown at halter. Calves may be divided into classes depending on number of entries at discretion of superintendents.
6. **Judging will be based on conformation or quality of the calf.**
7. Third grade (3rd) participants may keep animals for exhibiting as breeding ewes, breeding heifers, breeding does, or market beef in 4-H for 4th grade. Market beef MUST be weighed in around Dec/Jan to be eligible to compete in the member's 4th grade year.
8. **IDALS requires all cattle at exhibitions to have USDA approved identification. Generic farm tags are not allowed. Approved tags must include the USDA shield.**
9. **All feeder calves must have health papers valid up to 30 days prior to exhibition.**

Division 203 - Pre 4-H Youth Feeder Calf

Class #

Description

20310

Pre 4-H Feeder Calf

20320

Pre 4-H Mini Breeds

20330

Pre 4-H Showmanship

Pre 4-H Youth Cat & Pet Show

No Entry Fee: Open to District & County Exhibitors

Check-In Time: 1:00 p.m., Saturday, July 26

Release Time: After Show

1. This class is for youth who have completed grades K-3rd.
2. Pets will not be housed at the fairgrounds; they will be judged and taken home.
3. **Pre-entry is not required for the Pre 4-H Youth Cat & Pet show.**
4. Exhibiting excitable small animals can be hazardous to the animal, unless care is given to have adequate water, ventilation, and food available while the animal is at the fair. The exhibitor is responsible for providing these items along with any special equipment. Please bring own cage/carrier.
5. **Proof of rabies and other appropriate vaccinations must be provided at check-in. Bring certificates showing the latest vaccinations for both rabies and distemper.**
6. Pregnant cats or cats nursing kittens are not to be shown.
7. All pets will be judged in one class on cleanliness, health, and exhibitor's knowledge about their pet.
8. Limit of two entries per exhibitor.

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