

HOT SPRING COUNTY COMMUNITY,

The 2026 Hot Spring County Fair and Livestock Exhibition is quickly approaching. Enjoy a week of clean family fun and entertainment by joining in on the different activities this year. Come on out and see the many displays and exhibits entered by your family, friends, and neighbors from across the county. We look forward to offering our community a fun-filled and safe place to spend quality time together. Be a part of the FUN! Come on out and enjoy yourself at the 2026 HSC Fair and Livestock Exhibition. Any questions or concerns must be emailed to hotspringcountyfair@gmail.com.

*Blake Riggan, President
HSC Livestock Exhibition & Fair Association*

HOT SPRING COUNTY LIVESTOCK EXHIBITION & FAIR ASSOCIATION

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, July 15

DEADLINE for ownership of livestock

Monday, August 10

POULTRY TESTING – Crossroads Cowboy Church in Bismarck

6:00 p.m.

Friday, August 14

FAIR PAGEANT REHEARSAL – Bismarck High School

6:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 15

FAIR PAGEANT – Bismarck High School

4:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 15

DEADLINE for registration of livestock – **NO LATE REGISTRATION!**

Thursday, August 31

HEALTH PAPER, SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC – HSC Fairgrounds
POULTRY TESTING – HSC Fairgrounds

6:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 19

HORSE SHOW – Whiskey Ridge Ranch

9:00 a.m.

Sunday, September 20

ENTER ALL building exhibits no appointment necessary, this includes baked goods, decorated baked goods, and horticulture.

3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

ENTER Early Childhood Classroom Art

ENTER Educational Booths

Monday, September 21

BUILDINGS CLOSED for judging

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

CHECK IN ALL animals

4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 22

FAIRGROUNDS OPEN

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

SCHOOL DAY

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

POULTRY SHOW

2:00 p.m.

(TBD)

GOAT ROPING

Wednesday, September 23

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

FAIRGROUNDS OPEN

9:00 a.m.

RABBIT SHOW

12:00 p.m.

PENS MUST BE COMPLETE FOR DECORATING CONTEST

6:00 p.m.

CHURCH

7:00 p.m.

CATTLE SHOW

Thursday, September 24

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

FAIRGROUNDS OPEN

9:00 a.m.

LIVESTOCK SHOW – special needs exhibitors

1:00 p.m.

DAIRY CATTLE SHOW followed by **DAIRY GOAT SHOW**

4:00 p.m.

BREEDING & MARKET GOAT SHOWS followed by **SHEEP SHOW** followed by **SWINE SHOW**

Friday, September 25

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

FAIRGROUNDS OPEN

10:00 a.m.

PREMIUM SALE

6:00 p.m.

PEEWEE SHOW

7:00 p.m.

OLD TIMERS SHOW – Main Show Ring

Saturday, September 26

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

FAIRGROUNDS OPEN

10:00 a.m.

COSTUME CONTEST – Main Show Ring
for exhibitors and their registered animals

11:00 a.m.

LUNCH & AWARDS

2:00 p.m.

GROUND CLEAN UP – Trash pick-up, trash cans emptied,
chairs picked up, etc. (This does NOT include stall/pen cleanup)

4:00 p.m.

CLEAN UP & TEAR DOWN of stalls **BEGINS**; animals released
following completion

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GENERAL RULES AND INFORMATION

1. All local, state, and federal laws must always be followed. Any guidelines and regulations that are required for any reason must be followed with proper documentation on hand.
2. Read all rules including the Livestock & Barn General Rules & the rules at the beginning of each department.
3. No dogs or cats will be allowed on the fairgrounds at all. Exceptions may also be made for animals involved in fair board sanctioned activities.
4. All rules are subject to change by a fair board vote.
5. Every county fair receives fair funding from the state, and it varies from year to year. This is what we refer to as "point money". Every class in every department, in the buildings and the barns, is assigned a point value for each placing (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.). After all judging is complete for building and barn departments, the Fair Association uses a formula to determine a dollar amount for each point. The value will be different for the building departments and barn departments. When you receive building or barn checks, the amount you receive is determined by your placings from building judging and livestock shows and the memo will state "building point money" or "barn point money".
6. All articles or animals entered in the fair must be entered in the name of the grower, maker, or owner as rules may provide.
7. The grower, maker, or owner must be a Hot Spring County resident or a member of a bona fide Hot Spring County 4-H, FFA, Master Gardeners, or EHC club.
8. The Fair Association reserves the right to reject any exhibits before, during, or after entry is made.
9. The Association reserves the right to withdraw by public notice, prior to the opening of the fair, any or all premiums offered here.
10. No premium will be awarded on articles not listed in the catalog.
11. No person can act as judge of a class in which he/she is an exhibitor.
12. In no event shall the Hot Spring County Fair officers, directors, or members of any committee be held responsible for any loss or damage to the property of exhibitors or other persons while on the fairgrounds, whether loss or damage arose from accident or any cause whatsoever. Officials to prevent any mishap to entries will use all diligence.
13. The Association reserves the right to cancel at any time all contracts made with concessionaires or exhibitors for the infraction of any rules or conditions held therein and to cancel all contracts of whatever kind of public notice should an act of providence such as war, storm, or pestilence prevent the holding of the fair.
14. Each concessionaire must confine him/herself to the space assigned to him/her. Failure to do so will subject his/her privileges to be revoked without reimbursement.
15. The fair management shall have supervision and control of all exhibits during the fair and reserves the right to control signs, advertising matter, and arrangement of exhibits of proper harmony and attractive appearance.
16. The decision of the judge or judges in awarding premiums shall be final.
17. Premiums will be paid on exhibits, with or without competition, according to their merits at the judges' decision.
18. All exhibitors will be given a number.
19. If premium checks are not cashed within 90 days following the close of the county fair, they will be VOIDED.
20. **ALL BUILDING & BARN YOUTH EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO WRITE THANK YOU CARDS** even if you do not receive an award. Without these sponsors, we would not be able to provide you guys with this awesome fair. We want to show our appreciation for all their support. If you go through the Premium Sale, you must make a sign thanking your buyer and an additional thank you card for your buyer. You must turn thank you cards in by check-out time on Saturday. *****Thank you cards must be turned in before your check will be issued.*****
21. The Association reserves the right to make farm visits at their discretion.
22. **No children under the age of 14 shall be left alone on the grounds without adult supervision. No unsupervised youth may stay overnight at the fairgrounds.**

BUILDING INFORMATION

EDUCATIONAL BOOTH EXHIBITS

1. A (5x5x5) space will be provided, and premium money will be allowed for educational booths for the following groups:
 - a. Section 1: FFA, FCCLA, 4-H clubs and all bona fide youth clubs
 - b. Section 2: Civic Organizations
2. Each section will be judged separately. Each booth will receive a ribbon and money. Blue - \$20.00, Red - \$15.00, White - \$10.00.
3. The Best of Show booth will be awarded an additional \$25.00.
4. No registration is required; enter items Sunday, September 20, 2026, from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

<u>SCORE CARD FOR EDUCATIONAL BOOTHS EXHIBITS</u>		
<u>COMPONENT</u>	<u>POINTS</u>	<u>SCORE</u>
<u>Appropriateness of Theme</u>		
1. Educational and/or Promotional Message ▪ timely, important, practical; suited for audience	15	_____
<u>Presentation</u>		
a) Attracts Attention ▪ light, motion, sound, color, size etc.	10	_____
2. Title ▪ Attractive, catchy, easy to read, good placement	10	_____
3. Design ▪ Good use of color, center of interest, unity of Movement, contrast, balance, proportion & scale	20	_____
4. Printed Visuals ▪ Neat, easy to read, appropriate size & placement	10	_____
<u>Effectiveness</u>		
a) Message accurate, concise, & simple ▪ Only one subject covered, no unnecessary material	15	_____
b) Educational or Promotional Effectiveness ▪ Increases knowledge, changes attitude, creates a desire for involvement	20	_____
Total	100	Total _____

EARLY CHILDHOOD CLASSROOM PROJECTS

1. No registration is required; enter items Sunday, September 20, 2026, from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
2. Open to all classes in Hot Spring County from preschool to 3rd grade.
3. Artwork must be completed in a group setting to be eligible.

COMMERCIAL EXHIBITS

1. Space will be provided as available for a fee of \$25 and must be reserved by Sunday, September 20, 2026.
2. All booths must be set up by 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. Booths must be removed no earlier than 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 26, 2026.

3. All commercial exhibitors must furnish tables and back drops; electricity will be available.
4. Any items to be given away must be on display during the Fair and presented at the Fair. All names and numbers of winners must be given to the Fair office prior to closing on Saturday, September 26, 2026 at 2 p.m.

BUILDING AWARDS

1. All youth and adult Best of Shows will receive an extra \$10 in point money; youth will also receive an award.
2. Youth and adult Overall Best of Shows in the Exhibit Hall and the Garden Room will receive an additional \$25.00 in point money; youth will also receive an award.
3. The Fair board shall give a rosette to all Best of Shows in youth and adult departments.
4. The Extension Homemakers Council shall award a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place to the top three youth canning exhibitors in the amount of \$15, \$12, and \$9 respectively.

BUILDING RULES

1. You will receive a number at check-in.
2. Read General Rules and all rules at the beginning of each department.
3. Exhibits in adult and youth departments will be checked out by the superintendent Saturday, September 26, 2026, from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
4. Each exhibitor is responsible for filling out their own entry tags and tagging their items for the building departments.
5. For youth exhibitors, be sure to write their age on the entry tag.
6. DO NOT WRITE EXHIBITOR'S NAME ON ENTRY TAGS, ONLY THEIR NUMBER & AGE.
7. Any item that is not accompanied by a completed entry tag will not be accepted.

EXHIBIT HALL DEPARTMENTS

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| 1. Apiary | 16. Household Arts & Needle Craft |
| 2. Art | 17. Hunting & Sporting Equipment |
| 3. Baked Goods | 18. Kitchen Crafts |
| 4. Bath & Body | 19. Leather Crafts |
| 5. Beaded Items | 20. Livestock Equipment |
| 6. Bed Coverings | 21. Resin Crafts |
| 7. Clothing | 22. Personal Accessories |
| 8. Collections | 23. Photography |
| 9. Crafts | 24. Recycled Items |
| 10. Decorated Baked Goods | 25. Tie Dye |
| 11. Decorated Clothing | 26. Wind Chimes |
| 12. Decorated Livestock Equipment | 27. Woodworking |
| 13. Food Preservation | 28. Wreaths |
| 14. Furniture | 29. Bling Rhinestone Art |
| 15. Holiday Crafts | 30. Yard Decorations |

GARDEN ROOM DEPARTMENTS

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| 31. Eggs | 36. Plants |
| 32. Flower Arrangements | 37. Succulents |
| 33. Flowers | 38. Cacti |
| 34. Herbs | 39. Fairy Gardens |
| 35. Edibles | 40. Cut Foliage |

BUILDING DEPARTMENTS

1. All departments have a Youth (Y) division (up to 19 years old) and an Adult (A) division (over 19) unless otherwise specified.
2. Youth and adult exhibits will not compete against each other.
3. Points are displayed in the right-hand column under placings.
4. ANY ITEM PREVIOUSLY EXHIBITED IN THE HSC FAIR MAY NOT BE ENTERED AGAIN.
5. **Adult entries will be limited to a total of 60 exhibits for Exhibit Hall departments. There will be no limit on Garden Room departments.**
6. The Building Exhibit Committee reserves the right to place items in the department and class they see fit.

EXHIBIT HALL

DEPARTMENT 1 – APIARY

- Honey must come from bees owned and raised by the exhibitor.

Section A

Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Honey (<i>no comb</i>)	10	9	8
2. Honey (<i>with comb</i>)	10	9	8
3. Miscellaneous (<i>limit 1</i>)	10	9	8

DEPARTMENT 2 – ART

- Artwork completed after August 2024 are eligible for the HSC Fair.
- All pictures must be matted or suitably prepared for hanging, including hanging wire on the frame. No glass allowed.
- All entries must be the work of the individual who submitted it for competition.
- General rules and regulations apply unless otherwise stated here.
- An individual may submit an entry in more than one medium.
- All pictures will be judged as 1st, 2nd, or 3rd with a point value of 5, 4, or 3 except for fingerprint which will be valued at 3, 2, or 1.
- All finished products must be no larger than 16X20 **INCLUDING FRAME**.

Section

A. Acrylic	D. Oil	G. Watercolor
B. Crayola	E. Pastels/Chalk	H. Marker
C. Mixed Media	F. Pencil	I. Fingerprint

Class

1. Abstract	3. Automobiles/Vehicles	5. Floral	7. Portrait	9. Still Life
2. Animals	4. Cartoons	6. Landscape	8. Seascape	10. Misc. (<i>limit 1</i>)

DEPARTMENT 3 – BAKED GOODS

- Commercial mixes are not acceptable for any baked products **except Section F**.
- A recipe must be neatly submitted on an index card with each item.
- **Entries in Section F must include an index card listing the brand of mix used and any changes or additions made to the original directions.**
- All items must be entered in sealed plastic bags or disposable containers.

- Cookies, bars, and candies must be entered on 6-inch plates inside a **clear** zipper storage bag for display.
- **Cakes, pies, and bread must be entered whole.**
- Pies must be baked in foil.
- **Pies must have a homemade crust and filling.**
- **Miscellaneous items must follow the entry guidelines for other similar items.**
- Cakes, pies, and loaf bread may be picked up after judging is complete; one serving will be left for display. Any item not picked up by 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 21, 2026, will be disposed of by the Building Superintendents.

Section A – Breads

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Biscuits (<i>plate of 3</i>)	3	2	1
2. Cornbread Muffins or Sticks (<i>plate of 3</i>)	3	2	1
3. Fruit Bread	3	2	1
4. Loaf White Bread (<i>yeast</i>)	5	4	3
5. Muffins (<i>plate of 3</i>)	3	2	1
6. Sweet Rolls (<i>plate of 3</i>)	5	4	3
7. Yeast Rolls (<i>plate of 3</i>)	5	4	3
8. Challah Bread	5	4	3

Section B – Cakes (no icing)

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Angel Food	4	3	2
2. Lemon	4	3	2
3. Strawberry	4	3	2
4. Chocolate	4	3	2
5. Yellow	4	3	2
6. White	4	3	2
7. Miscellaneous (<i>not listed above; limit 1</i>)	4	3	2

Section C – Candy

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Fudge (<i>from scratch; plate of 3</i>)	5	4	3
2. Miscellaneous (<i>plate of 3; limit 1 entry</i>)	5	4	3

Section D – Cookies & Other Desserts

- Must be entered on a plate of 3.

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Lemon Bars	3	2	1
2. Brownies	3	2	1
3. Chocolate Chip Cookies	3	2	1
4. Oatmeal Cookies	3	2	1
5. Rolled Cookies	3	2	1
6. Miscellaneous (<i>not listed above; limit 1 entry</i>)	3	2	1

Section E – Packaged Mixes

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Bars (<i>plate of 3</i>)	3	2	1
2. Breads	3	2	1
3. Cakes	3	2	1
4. Candies	3	2	1
5. Cookies	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 4 – BATH & BODY

- Limit 3 entries per exhibitor
- All entries must be handcrafted by the exhibitor.
- List ingredients on an index card and submit with entry.

Section A – Soap

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Cold Process	5	4	3
2. Hot Process	5	4	3
3. Melt & Pour	3	2	1
4. Re-batch	3	2	1

Section B – Other

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Body Butter	3	2	1
2. Lotion	3	2	1
3. Perfume	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 5 – BEADED ITEMS

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Baskets	3	2	1
2. Holiday Item (<i>not Christmas</i>)	3	2	1
3. Sun Catchers	3	2	1
4. Miscellaneous (<i>limit 1</i>)	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 6 – BEDDING

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Afghan (<i>crochet-knit</i>)	10	8	6
2. Bedspread (<i>crochet</i>)	10	8	6
3. Lap Throw	5	4	3
4. Miscellaneous (<i>limit 1</i>)	5	4	3

Section B – Quilting

- Quilts are machine pieced and quilted.
- Quilts should have been finished in the past two years (made after September 1, 2023) but not previously entered.
- Quilts made from kits or pre-printed panels are not eligible for Best of Show.
- Items entered in this class must not be a duplication of any item entered elsewhere.
- Crochet, knit, and other needlework is not to be entered in this category.
- Works must be completed by one person unless otherwise stated.
- Limit three items per class.

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Large Quilt (<i>king</i>)	10	8	6
2. Medium Quilt (<i>queen/full</i>)	10	8	6
3. Small Quilt (<i>twin/toddler</i>)	8	6	4
4. Crib Quilt (<i>appliqued and quilted</i>)	8	6	4
5. Miscellaneous	8	6	4

Section C – Quilt Tops Hand Pieced

- Limit 2 entries.

Class

	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Large (<i>king</i>)	8	6	4
2. Medium (<i>queen/full</i>)	8	6	4
3. Small (<i>twin/toddler</i>)	6	4	2

Section D – Quilt Tops Machined Pieced

- Limit 2 entries.

Class

	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Large (<i>king</i>)	6	5	4
2. Medium (<i>queen/full</i>)	5	4	3
3. Small (<i>twin/toddler</i>)	3	2	1

Section E – Pillows

Class

	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Large	4	3	2
2. Medium	4	3	2
3. Small	4	3	2

DEPARTMENT 7 – CLOTHING

- This department is for sewn clothing by youth or adults.
- Garments must be carefully cleaned and pressed before exhibiting.
- Limit 3 items for adult entries; there is no limit on youth entries unless otherwise noted.

Section A

Class

	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Aprons	5	4	3
2. Child's Clothing	5	4	3
3. Doll's Clothing	5	4	3
4. Infant's Clothing	5	4	3
5. Men's Clothing	5	4	3
6. Pet's Clothing	5	4	3
7. Smocking	5	4	3
8. Women's Clothing	5	4	3
9. Miscellaneous (<i>limit 3</i>)	5	4	3

Section B – Other

- A basic sewing kit should consist of the following:
 - Hand needles – package of assorted sizes (3/9)
 - Thimble
 - Pins – stainless steel
 - Pin cushion
 - Safety pins – assorted sizes
 - Thread – minimum of 3 spools
 - Scissors
 - Seam gauge or small 6" ruler
 - Seam ripper tape measure
 - Box or basket to hold the items – for example a fishing tackle box

Class

	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Sewing Kit	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 8 – COLLECTIONS

Section A – Entomology

- Individual entomology entries are to be arranged in glass covered boxes, 18”X24” outside dimensions, except for Class 1.
- Each exhibitor is required to identify the box placing a label with the exhibitor’s name and lot to the back of the box (outside).
- Specimens should be labeled with the name of the insects on a pin beneath the insect.
- Specimens should be grouped by orders in the boxes, except Class 1.
- The purpose of the exhibit is to encourage identification of beneficial and destructive insects.
- Exotics in the collection should be separated from the rest of the exhibit and marked as out-of-state specimens.
- Although exhibition of the current year’s collection is encouraged, each specimen should have a value in itself.
- Any insects shown once in a basic collection should have a place in the more advanced collection.
- **Section D: Since collections could take years to acquire, it is not necessary for your items to have been collected in the past year, but you can only enter them one time.**

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Beginning Collection • 20 different insects labeled with common names classified as helpful or harmful, and mounted in a painted or covered cigar box.	5	4	3
2. Basic Collection • At least 4 orders, including 20 species, labeled with common names.	6	5	4
3. Intermediate Collection • At least 6 orders of 40 species, labeled with common names or scientific names.	7	6	5
4. Advanced Collection • At least 6 orders of 60 or more species, labeled with common and scientific names.	8	7	6

Section B – Collage

- Limit 2 entries.

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Holiday Theme	3	2	1
2. School Theme	3	2	1
3. Summer Theme	3	2	1

Section C – Completed Scrapbooks

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. 4X6 (minimum 5 pages)	4	3	2
2. 5X7 (minimum 10 pages)	4	3	2
3. 10X12 (minimum 12 pages)	5	4	3
4. 12X12 (minimum 15 pages)	5	4	3

Section D – Other

- Must fit in 18” space and must be at least 20 different items.

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Arrowheads	6	5	4
2. Coins (not altered)	5	4	3
3. Stamps	5	4	3
4. Minerals	3	2	1
5. Forestry	6	5	4
6. Other	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 9 – CRAFTS

- This department is for adult and youth crafts.
- EACH EXHIBITOR IS LIMITED TO **ONE** ENTRY PER CLASS.

Section A – Decorated Items

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Brick	3	2	1
2. Candle	3	2	1
3. Farm Implements	3	2	1
4. Hat	3	2	1
5. Plastic Charge Plate	3	2	1

Section B – Building Kits

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Cars	3	2	1
2. Planes	3	2	1
3. Ships	3	2	1
4. Legos	3	2	1
5. Miscellaneous	3	2	1

Section C – Vinyl Art

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Cups	3	2	1
2. Hats	3	2	1
3. Signage (<i>no larger than 1 ½ X 2 ½</i>)	3	2	1
4. T-Shirts	3	2	1
5. Miscellaneous	3	2	1

Section D – Other

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Acrylic Paint Pouring			
a. Less than 6"	3	2	1
b. 6" – 12"	4	3	2
c. Over 12"	5	4	3
2. Angles	3	2	1
3. Artificial Flower Arrangements	3	2	1
4. Bookmark	3	2	1
5. Candle Holder	3	2	1
6. Ceramics			
a. Purchased and decorated	3	2	1
b. Handmade	5	4	3
7. Clothespin Craft	3	2	1
8. Cut Paperwork	3	2	1
9. Decoupage Item			
a. Less than 6"	3	2	1
b. 6" – 12"	4	3	2

c. Over 12"	5	4	3
10. Duct Tape	3	2	1
11. Fabric Item	3	2	1
12. Felt Article	3	2	1
13. Foam Art	3	2	1
14. Greeting Cards (<i>other than Christmas</i>)	3	2	1
15. Kitchen Decoration	3	2	1
16. Mason Jar Craft	3	2	1
17. Mosaic			
a. Less than 6"	3	2	1
b. 6" – 12"	4	3	2
c. Over 12"	5	4	3
18. Pottery (<i>hand built</i>)	5	4	3
19. Refrigerator Magnet	3	2	1
20. Rugs	4	3	2
21. Stick Art (<i>popsicle</i>)	3	2	1
22. Stuffed Toy	4	3	2
23. Sun Catchers	3	2	1
24. Tin Punch	3	2	1
25. Toy	3	2	1
26. Wall Hanging	3	2	1
27. Wash Cloth Craft	3	2	1
28. String Art	4	3	2
29. Kid's Jewelry (<i>yarn, plastic beads, macaroni, etc.</i>)	3	2	1
30. Miscellaneous	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 10 – DECORATED BAKED GOODS

- This department is for decorated cakes, cupcakes, cookies, and cake pops.
- These will be judged on decoration only.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Cakes	6	5	4
2. Cookies	4	3	2
3. Cupcakes	4	3	2
4. Cake Pops	4	3	2

DEPARTMENT 11 – DECORATED TEXTILES

- These will be judged on decoration only.
- Garments must be carefully cleaned and pressed before exhibiting.
- Limit 1 item per class.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Jacket (<i>hand painted</i>)	4	3	2
2. Jacket (<i>other technique</i>)	4	3	2
3. Shoes	4	3	2
4. Socks	4	3	2
5. Sweatshirt (<i>hand painted</i>)	4	3	2
6. Sweatshirt (<i>other technique</i>)	4	3	2
7. T-shirt (<i>hand painted</i>)	4	3	2
8. T-shirt (<i>other technique</i>)	4	3	2
9. Vest	4	3	2

10. Linens	4	3	2
11. Miscellaneous	4	3	2

DEPARTMENT 12 – DECORATED LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Livestock Show Equipment (<i>showbox, etc.</i>)	6	5	4
2. Restraining & Handling Equipment	6	5	4

DEPARTMENT 13 – FOOD PRESERVATION

- The Food Preservation classes apply to Youth and Adult Division. Entries will be entered and judged separately. Judging is first based on whether your product is safe to eat or not.
- Canning jars must be of appropriate size and of clear Mason type. Sweet spreads must be exhibited in standard pint or half pint jars with sealed lids (no paraffin).
- All products must have rings left on lids for exhibit and be exhibited in clear jars.
- Lids and rings should be metal.
- High acid and acidified foods, like tomatoes, pickles, jams, and jellies, must be processed in a boiling water canner or pressure canned.
- No canned squash including summer, zucchini, or spaghetti, pureed or mashed pumpkin, sweet potatoes, or potatoes are allowed. Pickled summer squash and zucchini are okay.
- All low acid vegetables must be canned in a pressure cooker following Extension Service recommendations.
- Jars should be sealed with one flat. No paraffin allowed.
- Dried foods should be exhibited in standard pint or quart jars.
- No fancy packs will be allowed.
- Your entries should have been preserved within the past 12 months.
- We will no longer be using stickers to label the jars. We will use the same tags as all other categories. To attach, place the string through the lid and secure the lid.
- Only blue-ribbon jars will be considered for special awards. (See special awards and canning).
- Limit one per class.
- DO NOT MIX SHELL BEANS AND GREEN BEANS.

Section A – Vegetables

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Field Peas	5	4	3
2. Green Beans (<i>cut-not whole</i>)	5	4	3
3. Pinto Beans	5	4	3
4. Tomatoes	5	4	3
5. Tomato Juice	5	4	3
6. Miscellaneous	5	4	3

Section B – Fruit

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Apples	5	4	3
2. Applesauce	5	4	3
3. Berries	5	4	3
4. Fruit Juice (<i>light</i>)	5	4	3
5. Fruit Juice (<i>dark</i>)	5	4	3
6. Peaches	5	4	3
7. Pears	5	4	3
8. Miscellaneous	5	4	3

9. Section C – Jams, Jellies, & Soft Spreads			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Apple Jelly	5	4	3
2. Berry Jelly	5	4	3
3. Butter (<i>apple</i>)	5	4	3
4. Dark Berry Jam (<i>blackberry, etc.</i>)	5	4	3
5. Fig Jam	5	4	3
6. Fig Preserves	5	4	3
7. Grape Jelly	5	4	3
8. Peach Jelly	5	4	3
9. Peach Preserves	5	4	3
10. Pear Jam	5	4	3
11. Pear Preserves	5	4	3
12. Plum Jelly	5	4	3
13. Strawberry Jam	5	4	3
14. Miscellaneous	5	4	3

Section D – Pickles & Relish			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Beet Pickles	5	4	3
2. Bread & Butter Pickles	5	4	3
3. Dill Pickles	5	4	3
4. Green Tomato Pickles	5	4	3
5. Okra Pickles	5	4	3
6. Sweet Pickles	5	4	3
7. Peppers (<i>sliced</i>)	5	4	3
8. Peppers (<i>whole</i>)	5	4	3
9. Pepper Relish	5	4	3
10. Picante Sauce	5	4	3
11. Squash Relish	5	4	3
12. Pizza Sauce	5	4	3
13. Rotel Tomatoes	5	4	3
14. Salsa	5	4	3
15. Tomato Relish	5	4	3
16. Miscellaneous	5	4	3

Section E – Dried Food			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Apples	4	3	2
2. Herbs	4	3	2
3. Peas	4	3	2
4. Miscellaneous	4	3	2

DEPARTMENT 14 – FURNITURE

Section A			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Chairs and Stools	10	8	6
2. Tables and Bars	10	8	6
3. Miscellaneous	10	8	6

DEPARTMENT 15 – HOLIDAY CRAFTS

- Limit 2 entries per class.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Easter	3	2	1
2. Fourth of July	3	2	1
3. Halloween	3	2	1
4. Thanksgiving	3	2	1
5. Valentine's Day	3	2	1
6. Christmas	3	2	1
7. Miscellaneous	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 16 – HOUSEHOLD ARTS & NEEDLE CRAFT

- Textile painting and liquid embroidery must be entered in Department #11 – Decorated Textiles.
- Limit 2 per class.

Section A – Linens

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Table Covering	8	6	4
2. Pillowcases	4	3	2
3. Scarves	4	3	2
4. Tea Towels	3	2	1
5. Miscellaneous	3	2	1

Section B – Needlework

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Crochet Items	4	3	2
2. Knitted Items	4	3	2
3. Counted Cross-Stitch Items	4	3	2
4. Crewel Embroidery Items	4	3	2
5. Needlepoint Items	4	3	2
6. Miscellaneous (<i>i.e. Tatting, Smocking, etc.</i>)	4	3	2

Section C – Plastic Canvas

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Small Item (<i>under 6"</i>) (<i>limit 3</i>)	3	2	1
2. Medium Item (<i>6" - 12"</i>) (<i>limit 3</i>)	3	2	1
3. Large Item (<i>12" & up</i>) (<i>limit 3</i>)	3	2	1
4. Group (<i>containing more than 2 items; example Noah's Ark</i>) (<i>limit 3 groups</i>)	4	3	2

DEPARTMENT 17 – HUNTING & SPORTING EQUIPMENT

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Stands and Blinds	10	8	6
2. Wildlife Feeders	8	6	4

DEPARTMENT 18 – KITCHEN CRAFTS

- Limit 3 entries per class.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Decorated Wooden Spoons	3	2	1
2. Dish Towels	3	2	1
3. Painted Plates	3	2	1
4. Potholders	3	2	1
5. Miscellaneous	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 19 – LEATHER CRAFTS

- Limit 1 entry per class.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Belts	6	5	4
2. Wallets	6	5	4
3. Jewelry	3	2	1
4. Other	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 20 – LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT

- Placement of items in classes will be at the discretion of the building committee.

Section A – Livestock Feeders

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Large (<i>over 4'</i>)	6	5	4
2. Medium (<i>2' – 4'</i>)	4	3	2
3. Small (<i>under 2'</i>)	3	2	1

Section B – Other

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Livestock Show Equipment	10	8	6
2. Restraining & Handling Equipment	10	8	6

DEPARTMENT 21 – RESIN CRAFTS

- Limit 2 entries per class.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Coaster	3	2	1
2. Jewelry	3	2	1
3. Cup	5	4	3
4. Other	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 22 – PERSONAL ACCESSORIES

- Limit 2 entries per class unless otherwise stated.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Belts	4	3	2
2. Hair Ornaments	3	2	1
3. Jewelry (<i>bracelet</i>)	8	6	4
4. Jewelry (<i>earrings</i>)	8	6	4
5. Jewelry (<i>necklace</i>)	8	6	4
6. Jewelry (<i>ring</i>)	8	6	4
7. Purses	4	3	2
8. Scarves	4	3	2
9. Miscellaneous (<i>limit 1</i>)	4	3	2

DEPARTMENT 23 – PHOTOGRAPHY

- **NO GLASS**
- These classes are open to amateur photographers only.
- All photographs must be 5"x7" and mounted or matted on 8"x10" mats. No frames or glass accepted.
- Black and White prints must be entered in Section A and color prints must be entered in Section B.
- Only one entry per exhibitor may be entered in each class.
- Exhibits must be original work of the exhibitor and not previously shown in the Hot Spring County Fair.

Section A – Black and White

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Animals	3	2	1
2. Human Interest	3	2	1
3. Special Interest	3	2	1
4. Landscape	3	2	1
5. Seascape	3	2	1
6. Photogenic	3	2	1
7. Portrait	3	2	1
8. Still Life	3	2	1
9. Miscellaneous	3	2	1

Section B – Color Print

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Animals	3	2	1
2. Human Interest	3	2	1
3. Special Interest	3	2	1
4. Landscape	3	2	1
5. Seascape	3	2	1
6. Photogenic	3	2	1
7. Portrait	3	2	1
8. Still Life	3	2	1
9. Miscellaneous	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 24 – RECYCLED ITEMS

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Small Item (<i>less than 6"</i>)	3	2	1
2. Medium item (<i>7" to 11"</i>)	3	2	1
3. Large item (<i>12" to 16"</i>)	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 25 – TIE DYE

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Shirt	3	2	1
2. Socks	3	2	1
3. Towel	3	2	1
4. Miscellaneous	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 26 – WIND CHIMES

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Recycled	3	2	1
2. Wood	3	2	1
3. Other (<i>limit 1</i>)	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 27 – WOODWORKING

Section A – Hand Carved

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Small (<i>up to 12"</i>)	5	4	3
2. Medium (<i>12" – 24"</i>)	6	5	4
3. Large (<i>over 24"</i>)	7	6	5

Section B – Household Item

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Small (<i>up to 12"</i>)	5	4	3
2. Medium (<i>12" – 24"</i>)	6	5	4
1. Large (<i>over 24"</i>)	7	6	5

Section C – Toy

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Large (<i>over 12"</i>)	5	4	3
2. Small (<i>up to 12"</i>)	3	2	1

Section D – Creative Woodburning

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Small (<i>under 6"</i>)	3	2	1
2. Medium (<i>6 – 12"</i>)	4	3	2
3. Large (<i>over 12"</i>)	5	4	3

Section E – Other

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Banks	3	2	1
2. Bird Feeder	3	2	1

3. Bird House	3	2	1
4. Rack (<i>gun, fishing rod, etc.</i>)	6	5	4
5. Sign or Plaque	4	3	2
6. Table Decoration (<i>basket, candle holder, etc.</i>)	4	3	2
7. Toolbox	4	3	2
8. Cutting Board/Charcuterie Board			
a. Small (<i>under 24"</i>)	8	7	6
b. Large (<i>over 24"</i>)	10	9	8
9. Miscellaneous (<i>limit 1</i>)	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 28 – WREATHS

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Limit 3	4	3	2

DEPARTMENT 29 – BLING RHINESTONE ART

- Limit 2 entries per class.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Small (<i>under 6"</i>)	4	3	2
2. Medium (<i>6 – 12"</i>)	5	4	3
3. Large (<i>over 12"</i>)	6	5	4

DEPARTMENT 30 – YARD DECORATIONS

Section A – Large Item (*over 18"*)

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Handmade (<i>hand decorated</i>)	6	5	4
2. Store bought (<i>hand decorated</i>)	5	4	3
3. Miscellaneous (<i>limit 2</i>)	5	4	3

Section B – Medium Item (*under 18"*)

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Handmade (<i>hand decorated</i>)	5	4	3
2. Store bought (<i>hand decorated</i>)	4	3	2
3. Miscellaneous (<i>limit 2</i>)	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 31 – EGGS

- Limit 1 entry per class.
- Each entry must include 3 eggs.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Brown	3	2	1
2. White	3	2	1
3. Blue/Green	3	2	1
4. Mixed	3	2	1

5. Miscellaneous	3	2	1
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DEPARTMENT 32 – FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

- Only live flower arrangements may be entered.
- Must be grown by the exhibitor.
- Containers must be marked underneath for identification.
- Clean and groom flowers; be sure they are free of disease, insects, spray residue, and damaged or dead plant material.
- Limit one entry per class.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Mixed Bouquet (<i>container of your choice</i>)	5	4	3
2. Wildflower Arrangement	5	4	3
3. Dried Arrangement	4	3	2
4. Single Specimen Arrangement	3	2	1
5. Miscellaneous (<i>limit 1</i>)	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 33 – FLOWERS

- Must be grown by the exhibitor.
- No house plants may be entered.
- No preservatives may be sprayed on flowers.
- No silk flowers, artificial flowers, or artificial greenery is allowed.
- Must be in a clear bud vase with water, no large-mouth containers.
- Clean and groom all flowers; be sure they are free of disease, insects, spray residue, and damaged or dead plant material.
- Remove all leaves below water line.
- May use greenery in neck of container to hold plant upright.
- Exhibitor must put name of flower on tag.

Section A – Cut Flowers

- Must be a single specimen.

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. 5 entries allowed (<i>must be all different specimens</i>)	3	2	1

DEPARTMENT 34 – HERBS

- Limit 1 entry per class, up to 5 per section.

Section A – Cut

- Must be a single stem in a bud vase with water.

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Basil	3	2	1
2. Chives	3	2	1
3. Cilantro	3	2	1
4. Dill	3	2	1
5. Mint	3	2	1
6. Oregano	3	2	1
7. Parsley	3	2	1
8. Rosemary	3	2	1
9. Other (<i>not listed</i>)	3	2	1

Section B – Potted

- Must enter a single variety per pot.

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Basil	4	3	2
2. Chives	4	3	2
3. Cilantro	4	3	2
4. Dill	4	3	2
5. Mint	4	3	2
6. Oregano	4	3	2
7. Parsley	4	3	2
8. Rosemary	4	3	2
9. Other (<i>not listed</i>)	4	3	2

DEPARTMENT 35 – EDIBLES

- No dried peas or beans
- Please provide a plate of three items for each entry unless otherwise noted.
- Limit 1 entry per class.

Section A – Agronomy (field crops)

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Corn	5	4	3
2. Nuts	5	4	3
3. Soybeans	5	4	3
4. Wheat	5	4	3
5. Other (<i>not listed</i>)	5	4	3

Section B – Aquaponics

- You must submit a picture (4X6) of your grow facility setup with your entry.

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Lettuce	3	2	1
2. Tomato	3	2	1
3. Miscellaneous	3	2	1

Section C – Fruit

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Apple	5	4	3
2. Muscadine/Scuppernong - one variety (6)	5	4	3
3. Pears - one variety	5	4	3
4. Berries	5	4	3
5. Other (<i>not listed</i>)	5	4	3

Section D – Melons

- Only provide 1.

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Field Pumpkins	5	4	3
2. Watermelon - large variety	5	4	3
3. Watermelon - medium variety	5	4	3
4. Watermelon - small variety	5	4	3
5. Cantaloupe	5	4	3
6. Other (<i>not listed</i>)	5	4	3

Section E – Vegetables

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Cucumbers (<i>only provide 2</i>)	6	5	4

2. Eggplant - one variety (<i>only provide 1</i>)	6	5	4
3. Garlic	6	5	4
4. Irish Potatoes - one variety	6	5	4
5. Okra - one variety	6	5	4
6. Onions - one variety	6	5	4
7. Pepper - Hot - one variety	6	5	4
8. Pepper - Sweet - one variety	6	5	4
9. Summer Squash - one variety (<i>only provide 2</i>)	6	5	4
10. Sweet Potatoes - one variety	6	5	4
11. Tomatoes - one variety	6	5	4
12. Zucchini (<i>only provide 1</i>)	6	5	4
13. Winter Squash (<i>only provide 1</i>)	6	5	4
14. Other (<i>not listed</i>)	6	5	4

Section F – Legumes

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Black Eyed Peas	4	3	2
2. Butter Beans	4	3	2
3. Green Beans	4	3	2
4. Green Peas	4	3	2
5. Pinto Beans	4	3	2
6. Purple Hull Peas	4	3	2
7. Other (<i>not listed</i>)	4	3	2

Section G – Other

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Gourds - any variety (<i>only provide 1</i>)	4	3	2
2. Sunflower (<i>1 head</i>)	4	3	2
3. Other (<i>not listed</i>)	4	3	2

DEPARTMENT 36 – PLANTS

- Plant must have been owned by exhibitor for 3 months.
- PLANTS CANNOT BE SPRAYED WITH PLANT SHINE.
- Exhibit should be grown or produced by the exhibitor (no commercial products)
- Containers in which plants are grown will not be considered by judges.
- Containers should be clean and in good condition.
- The care of the plant is the responsibility of the exhibitor.
- **Limit one entry per class.**

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Hanging Basket (<i>one or more living plants in a hanging container, must be light enough in weight to hang or display</i>)	4	3	2
2. Potted Plant (<i>flowering; up to 10"</i>)	4	3	2
3. Potted Plant (<i>non-flowering; up to 10"</i>)	4	3	2
4. Potted Plant - large (<i>anything over 10" container-flowering</i>)	5	4	3
5. Potted Plant - large (<i>anything over 10" container-nonflowering</i>)	5	4	3

DEPARTMENT 37 – SUCCULENTS

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Small (<i>less than 4"</i>)	3	2	1
2. Medium (<i>4 – 6"</i>)	4	3	2
3. Large (<i>over 6"</i>)	5	4	3

DEPARTMENT 38 – CACTI

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Small (<i>less than 4"</i>)	3	2	1
2. Medium (<i>4 – 6"</i>)	4	3	2
3. Large (<i>over 6"</i>)	5	4	3

DEPARTMENT 39 – FAIRY GARDENS

- Must contain some live plants and natural components (bark, stones, moss, etc.).

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Small (<i>under 8"</i>)	3	2	1
2. Medium (<i>8" – 12"</i>)	4	3	2
3. Large (<i>over 12"</i>)	5	4	3

DEPARTMENT 40 – CUT FOLIAGE

- Must be in a vase with water.
- May enter 3 different varieties for each class.

Section A

Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Small (<i>less than 4"</i>)	3	2	1
2. Medium (<i>4 – 6"</i>)	3	2	1
3. Large (<i>over 6"</i>)	3	2	1

BARN & LIVESTOCK GENERAL RULES & INFORMATION

1. The registration deadline for all livestock will be August 15, 2026. Exhibitor packets must be picked up during check-in on Monday, September 21, 2026, beginning at 4 p.m. in the Main Show Ring. Register at www.hotspringcountyfair.com.
2. LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR LIVESTOCK ENTRIES.
3. Read all rules at the beginning of each department and the general rules.
4. Due to increased barn entries, canopies and generators will be allowed for fitting purposes. There will be a designated area provided between the goat barn and the first RV spot for goats and sheep. Cattle fitting area will be next to the cattle wash bays. There will be no parking allowed in these areas.
5. All exhibitors will be allowed to start setting up their stalls and equipment on Monday, September 21, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.
6. The only people allowed in the weigh-in area are the exhibitor and weigh-in officials. Weigh in times of commercial and market animals will be at the superintendent's discretion.
7. Poultry testing will be done on August 10, 2026, at 6 p.m. at the Crossroads Cowboy Church in Bismarck, AR and August 31, 2026, at 6 p.m. at the Hot Spring County Fairgrounds for Hot Spring County Livestock Show Exhibitors only. There will be a \$1 charge for every bird tested. Please bring exact change. Birds WILL NOT be tested on the day of check-in for the fair.
8. The Fair Association reserves the right to perform farm visits.
9. The base date for figuring age of all entries & exhibitors is the last day of the fair, Saturday, September 26, 2026.
10. Youth Division (YT) is open only to youth 5–19 years old as of the date of show who are active members of the bona fide 4-H Club or FFA Group. Open Division (O) is open to all others not covered in YT Division.
11. Open Division will consist of the same classes as Youth Division. Open classes will not go through the premium sale or be eligible for barn awards.
12. All entries must be delivered to the barn by 8 p.m. on Monday, September 21, 2026, and remain in place until dismissal has been declared by the fair board.
13. Any exhibitor who starts breaking down their pens before the designated release time (including removing ribbons, posters, feeders, etc.), or who takes their animals off the grounds before the designated release time, will forfeit all award monies.
14. No livestock may be unloaded until animals are inspected and visually approved by the inspector at the gate.
15. Animals not entered for exhibition will not be allowed on the fairgrounds during the fair except for nursing livestock.
16. Only animals that have been entered in the fair can be shown. Our current exhibitors will volunteer their animals for the Old Timers Show and the Peewee Show.
17. Superintendents will assign stalls and pens.
18. Bedding will be supplied one time for the initial layer, it is then the exhibitor's responsibility to supply his own bedding.
19. Each exhibitor is required to keep his or her animal pens clean. Exhibitors are responsible for their animals and the cleanliness of their immediate area at all times. The fair board reserves the right to withhold all award monies of any exhibitor who does not abide by this.
20. Exhibitors must furnish their own feed and feeding equipment. They also must provide their own watering equipment except for swine.
21. Any exhibitor not adhering to the cleaning and feeding rules will be required, at the discretion of the fair board, to forfeit all prize money earned in the livestock division.
22. Any registration paper or health paper grievance must be filed before 11:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22, 2026, and will include a \$100.00 fee.

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

1. All livestock at the Hot Spring County Fair must follow the Arkansas Department of Agriculture, Animal Health Entry Requirements. A complete list of requirements can be found at <http://agriculture.arkansas.gov> (search for Exhibition)
2. Fair personnel, veterinarians, state-federal personnel have the right to examine and dismiss any animal on the premises.
3. No animals that are diseased, lame, or exhibiting signs of illness, will be allowed on or about the fairgrounds.
4. No unworthy animals will be allowed to enter, and sick animals must be removed as soon as they are discovered.

ARKANSAS CATTLE

- Heifers 4-12 months old must be Brucellosis vaccinated.

ARKANSAS SHEEP & GOATS

- All in state sheep and goats in the state of Arkansas must be identified by an official USDA tag (scrapie tag) or registry tattoo/microchip and certificate.

ARKANSAS HORSES

- Negative EIA test required within the past twelve (12) months.

ARKANSAS POULTRY

- Negative Pullorum-Typhoid (PT) test within 90 days or from a PT clean flock (AR waterfowl are exempted); NPIP-certified flocks with certificate do not require a CVI; non-certified poultry must be individually identified by a permanent leg or wing band.

ARKANSAS RABBITS

- No rabbits showing symptoms of disease or ear mites will be allowed to show.

ARKANSAS SWINE

- Official premise identification, negative Brucellosis test within 90 days, and a negative Pseudorabies test within 90 days is required.

LIVESTOCK SHOWS GENERAL RULES

1. EACH EXHIBITOR WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO ENTER FOUR (4) OF EACH OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIES: GOATS, SHEEP, SWINE, AND CATTLE.
2. Only purebred animals will be accepted in breeding classes except for commercial females. These will be of good quality and have registration papers. Commercial female classes will also include purebreds not meeting registration requirements.
3. Classes will compete only within the breed except for market animals which may be purebred, grade, or crossbred.
4. In selecting all Grand and Reserve Grand Champions in the YT Division ONLY, each breed champion will compete in its respective category.
5. Animals shown must have been owned by the exhibitor (for Open and Youth shows) since at least Wednesday, July 15, 2026.
6. All exhibitors must be able to handle their entry without assistance. For example, if a calf cannot be handled by the exhibitor, that animal will be disqualified from all show money and must be removed from the show ring.
7. Should a youth be unable to show his/her animals for any reason, ONLY a person in the YT Division may show that animal, NO EXCEPTIONS. Reasoning must be approved by the Fairboard prior to the show.
8. Exhibitors will be limited to 2 animals per class unless otherwise noted in the rules of that department. In the event a youth has more than one animal in a class, rule # 7 will be in effect.
9. Judging will be done by outside judges and their decision will be final.
10. All exhibitors shall be judged on their merits and judges may award 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or no premium as their judgment may indicate.
11. All premiums will be paid on a point system basis.
12. Show order for each department, including showmanship, will be set by the superintendent and not necessarily the order listed in the catalog.
13. Your animal can only be exhibited by one exhibitor, excluding the Old Timer Show and Peewee Show.
14. An animal is eligible to show in either open or youth, not both.
15. The use of blowers is prohibited during all livestock shows.

IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS) NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with said rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the analysis of said specimen indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence that such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. All procedures of specimen collection, preservation, transfer and analysis by Arkansas Livestock & Poultry Commission are presumed correct and accurate and that the laboratory report correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise. At any time after an animal arrives on the fairgrounds all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications shall be administered by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal and only with prior written approval of the Livestock Superintendent.
5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.
9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she is was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. It is further consent that any proceeding or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published

- with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.
11. The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further consent that any action that contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

DRESS CODE FOR ALL YOUTH IN THE SHOW RING AND THE SALE RING

1. The youth will wear a shirt (sleeved, collared, buttoned-up, or blouse tucked in) with blue or black jeans or skirt (below the knees) with the exception of dairy and horse classes.
1. Dairy exhibitors will wear a white shirt (sleeved, collared, buttoned-up, tucked in) with white or khaki pants or skirt (below the knees).

SHOWMANSHIP RULES

1. The owner must exhibit the animal being show.
2. Cloverbuds are ages 5 – 8.
3. Juniors are ages 9 – 13.
4. Seniors are ages 14 – 19.
5. The exhibitor must be able to handle the animal without assistance.

WEIGHTS FOR MARKET ANIMALS

Steers	900 lbs. and up
Hogs	160 lbs. to 280 lbs.
Goats	40 lbs. and up
Lambs	70 lbs. and up

WEIGHTS FOR FEEDER ANIMALS

Steers	under 900 lbs.
Hogs	under 160 lbs.
Goats	under 40 lbs.
Lambs	under 70 lbs.

All market animals may have a 1% variance to make class.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Memorial Sportsmanship:	To be given to an exhibitor aged 5-19.
Don & Pat Brown Youth Sportsmanship:	To be given to a junior youth aged 9-13.
DAV Youth Sportsmanship:	To be given to a senior youth aged 14-19.
The President's Friend of the Fair:	To be given to an adult chosen by youth exhibitors.

MEMORIAL SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

- Adopted May 2018 - This award is to honor the memory of those who have made an impact on the Hot Spring County Fair and its exhibitors. The award includes \$50.00 in cash.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Must be an active 4-H or FFA member 5 – 19 years of age on the day of show.
2. Must have shown a strong commitment to the Hot Spring County Fair and Livestock Association.
3. Must have provided outstanding leadership and made a significant contribution to the HSC Fair & Livestock Show.
4. Must have never been found in violation of the Code of Conduct or suspended for any period of time from the County, District, or State Fair.
5. Each barn superintendent and the building superintendents will be allowed one vote for selection.

Selection Requirements:

1. Must be nominated by a majority of those participating in the selection process.
2. Must have demonstrated a high degree of responsibility and leadership abilities during the entire County Fair.
3. Must be a self-starter and do things that need to be done without being asked; keep their area clean, make sure trash is picked up, make sure containers are not running over, assist younger youth with their projects, do what adults ask them to, help set up the sale ring, wet down the show ring, get drinks for buyers, move or set up equipment, etc.
4. An exhibitor can receive this award more than once provided he or she meets all requirements listed.

DON & PAT BROWN SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

- Adopted May 2008 - This award is to honor the memory of Mr. Don Brown, who was a great supporter of our youth and the Hot Spring County Fair. The award includes \$50.00 in cash.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Must be an active 4-H or FFA member 9 – 13 years of age on the day of show.
2. Must have shown a strong commitment to the Hot Spring County Fair and Livestock Association.
3. Must have provided outstanding leadership and made a significant contribution to the HSC Fair & Livestock Show.
4. Must have never been found in violation of the Code of Conduct or suspended for any period of time from the County, District, or State Fair.
5. Each barn superintendent and the building superintendents will be allowed one vote for selection.

Selection Requirements:

1. Must be nominated by a majority of those participating in the selection process.
2. Must have demonstrated a high degree of responsibility and leadership abilities during the entire County Fair.
3. Must be a self-starter and do things that need to be done without being asked; keep their area clean, make sure trash is picked up, make sure containers are not running over, assist younger youth with their projects, do what adults ask them to, help set up the sale ring, wet down the show ring, get drinks for buyers, move or set up equipment, etc.
4. A youth can receive this award more than once provided he or she meets all requirements listed.

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

- Adopted 2021 - This award is presented in honor of the men and women who have fought for our country's freedom and have been permanently disabled. The award is sponsored by Summit Inspection Services in honor of our heroes of the Armed Forces. If you would like to help support our veterans, please go to www.dav.org. The award includes \$100 cash.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Must be an active 4-H or FFA member 14 – 19 years of age on the day of show.
2. Must have shown a strong commitment to the Hot Spring County Fair & Livestock Association.
3. Must have provided outstanding leadership and made a significant contribution to the HSC Fair & Livestock Show.
4. Must have never been found in violation of the Code of Conduct or suspended for any period of time from the County, District or State Fair.
5. Each barn superintendent and the building superintendents will be allowed one vote for selection.

Selection Requirements:

1. Must be nominated by a majority of those participating in the selection process.
2. Must have demonstrated a high degree of responsibility and leadership abilities during the entire County Fair.
3. Must be a self-starter and do things that need to be done without being asked; keep their area clean, make sure trash is picked up, make sure containers are not running over, assist younger youth with their projects, do what adults ask them to, help set up the sale ring, wet down the show ring, get drinks for buyers, move or set up equipment, etc.
4. A youth can receive this award more than once provided he or she meets all requirements listed.

THE PRESIDENT'S FRIEND OF THE FAIR AWARD

- Adopted April 2005 –

1. This award will be given to an adult who supports, helps, and encourages the youth in their projects.
2. Each youth will be given a ballot in their barn pre-registration packet.
3. All ballots must be turned in by 8:00 p.m. Friday, September 25, 2026.

THE HSC FAIR & LIVESTOCK SHOW HERDSMAN AWARD

- Adopted April 23, 2001 –

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Must be an active 4-H or FFA member 5 – 19 on the day of show.
2. Must have an animal entered in the fair for an overall nomination or in the barn in which he or she is nominated.
3. Must keep his or her areas clean at all times.
4. Must assist in making sure the barn he or she is showing livestock in such as cattle, goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep, or swine are clean and free of trash and other litter at all times.
5. Must assist other youth with their livestock.
6. Must have never been found in violation of the Code of Conduct or suspended for any period of time from the County, District or State Fair.

THE FOLLOWING AWARDS ARE FOR YOUTH EXHIBITORS ONLY

- CATTLE BARN -

Beef Cattle Showmanship Cloverbud
Beef Cattle Showmanship Junior
Beef Cattle Showmanship Senior
Grand Champion Beef Bull
Reserve Grand Champion Beef Bull
Grand Champion Beef Heifer/Cow
Reserve Grand Champion Beef Heifer/Cow
Grand Champion Commercial Heifer
Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Heifer
Grand Champion Market Steer
Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer
Bred & Owned Champion Market Steer
Dairy Cattle Showmanship Cloverbud
Dairy Cattle Showmanship Junior
Dairy Cattle Showmanship Senior
Grand Champion Dairy Heifer
Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Heifer
Grand Champion Dairy Cow
Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Cow

- GOAT BARN -

Dairy Goat Showmanship Cloverbud
Dairy Goat Showmanship Junior
Dairy Goat Showmanship Senior
Grand Champion Junior Dairy Doe
Reserve Grand Champion Junior Dairy Doe
Grand Champion Senior Dairy Doe
Reserve Grand Champion Senior Dairy Doe
Meat Goat Showmanship Cloverbud
Meat Goat Showmanship Junior
Meat Goat Showmanship Senior
Grand Champion Meat Doe
Reserve Grand Champion Meat Doe
Grand Champion Commercial Doe
Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Doe
Grand Champion Market Goat
Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat
Bred & Owned Champion Market Goat

- SHEEP BARN -

Sheep Showmanship Cloverbud
Sheep Showmanship Junior
Sheep Showmanship Senior
Grand Champion Ram
Reserve Grand Champion Ram
Grand Champion Ewe
Reserve Grand Champion Ewe
Grand Champion Commercial Ewe
Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Ewe
Grand Champion Market Lamb
Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb
Bred and Owned Champion Market Lamb

- POULTRY BARN -

Poultry Showmanship Cloverbud
Poultry Showmanship Junior
Poultry Showmanship Senior
Grand Champion Poultry Chain
Reserve Grand Champion Poultry Chain
Best Young Trio
Best Old Trio
Best Chicken
Best Turkey
Best Duck
Best Goose
Best Game Bird
Best Other Bird
Best Bird of Show

- RABBIT BARN -

Rabbit Showmanship Cloverbud
Rabbit Showmanship Junior
Rabbit Showmanship Senior
Grand Champion Breeding Rabbit Doe
Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Rabbit Doe
Grand Champion Breeding Rabbit Buck
Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Rabbit Buck
Grand Champion Single Fryer
Reserve Grand Champion Single Fryer
Bred and Owned Champion Fryer

- HORSES -

Grand Champion Gelding
Reserve Grand Champion Gelding
Grand Champion Mare
Reserve Grand Champion Mare
Grand Champion Pony
Reserve Grand Champion Pony

- SWINE BARN -

Swine Showmanship Cloverbud
Swine Showmanship Junior
Swine Showmanship Senior
Grand Champion Boar
Reserve Grand Champion Boar
Grand Champion Gilt
Reserve Grand Champion Gilt
Grand Champion Commercial Gilt
Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Gilt
Grand Champion Market Hog
Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog
Bred & Owned Champion Market Hog

BARN DEPARTMENTS

POINT SYSTEMS FOR BARNs

Large Animals

horses, cattle, goats, sheep, swine

1st	18
2nd	16
3rd	14
4th	12
5th and below	10

Small Animals

poultry, game birds, rabbits

1st	5
2nd	4
3rd	3
4th and below	2

DEPARTMENT 1 – HORSES

HORSE RULES

1. Refer to Livestock and Poultry Health Requirements on page 27 for more information.
2. AQHA dress code applies to all contestants.
3. A registered horse must be registered in the exhibitor's name or immediate household family's/family member's name.
4. Each exhibitor will only be allowed to enter up to 4 horses in the halter classes.
5. The horse show superintendent reserves the right to cancel, combine, or divide any class or classes.
6. Large classes may be divided for workout at the discretion of the judges and or the horse superintendent.
7. Tack and Equipment:
 - a. An official of the show may check the tack of each horse as it enters the judging area. However, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to be aware of all rules and enter the arena with the proper tack and attire. Official judges may request removal or alteration of any equipment deemed inappropriate.
 - b. Numbers must be worn so that they are visible to judge, ring steward or other show officials.

HORSE SHOW

Section A – Halter Mares

Class

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Pony Mare | <i>0-2</i> |
| 2. Pony Mare | <i>3-Older</i> |
| 3. Mare | <i>0-2</i> |
| 4. Mare | <i>3-Older</i> |
| 5. Grand Champion Mare | |
| 6. Reserve Grand Champion Mare | |

Section B – Halter Geldings

Class

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Pony Gelding | <i>0-2</i> |
| 2. Pony Gelding | <i>3-Older</i> |
| 3. Gelding | <i>0-2</i> |
| 4. Gelding | <i>3-Older</i> |
| 5. Grand Champion Gelding | |
| 6. Reserve Grand Champion Gelding | |

DEPARTMENT 2 – BEEF CATTLE & DEPARTMENT 3 – DAIRY CATTLE

CATTLE BARN RULES

1. Refer to Livestock and Poultry Health Requirements on page 27 for more information.
2. All breeding beef must be registered in the exhibitor's name.
3. Heifers 4-12 months old must be Brucellosis vaccinated.
4. Breeds for the breeding show will be divided up the day of the show.
5. All cattle with horns, must have horns tipped.
6. The commercial heifer show will be divided up by weight with no more than 6 classes.
7. Market & feeder steers may be purebred, grade, or crossbred.
8. Minimum weight for the market show is 900 lbs.
9. Maximum weight for the feeder show is 899 lbs.
10. The market & feeder shows will be divided into weight classes after check-in at the superintendent's discretion.
11. Dairy cattle classes will be decided after check-in.
12. Miniature cattle classes will be decided after check-in.
13. Commercial heifers must be under 24 months or still have their milk teeth.
14. A Bred & Owned class will be added to Section E – Market Steers. To qualify for this class, the animal being shown must be bred, owned, and shown by the exhibitor.

BEEF CATTLE SHOW

Section A – Beef Cattle Showmanship

Class

- | | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| 1. Cloverbuds | <i>Ages 5 – 8</i> |
| 2. Juniors | <i>Ages 9 – 13</i> |
| 3. Seniors | <i>Ages 14 – 19</i> |

Section B – Breeding Beef Female

Class

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Heifer Calf | <i>4 – under 6 months</i> |
| 2. Heifer Calf | <i>6 – under 12 months</i> |
| 3. Early Yearling Heifer | <i>12 – under 18 months</i> |
| 4. Late Yearling Heifer | <i>18 – under 24 months</i> |
| 5. Cow and Calf | |
| 6. Champion Heifer/Cow | <i>from each breed</i> |
| 7. Reserve Champion Heifer/Cow | <i>from each breed</i> |
| 8. Grand Champion Heifer/Cow | <i>from Champion of each breed</i> |
| 9. Reserve Grand Champion Heifer/Cow | |

Section C – Breeding Beef Male

Class

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|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Bull Calf | <i>4 – under 6 months</i> |
| 2. Bull Calf | <i>6 – under 12 months</i> |
| 3. Early Yearling Bull | <i>12 – under 18 months</i> |
| 4. Late Yearling Bull | <i>18 – under 24 months</i> |
| 5. Mature Bull | <i>over 24 months</i> |
| 6. Champion Bull | <i>from each breed</i> |
| 7. Reserve Champion Bull | <i>from each breed</i> |
| 8. Grand Champion Bull | <i>from Champion of each breed</i> |
| 9. Reserve Grand Champion Bull | |

Section D – Commercial Beef Females

Class

1. Exotic
2. American
3. English

Section E – Market Steers

Section F – Feeder Steers

DAIRY CATTLE SHOW

Section A – Dairy Cattle Showmanship

Class

- | | |
|---------------|--------------|
| 1. Cloverbuds | Ages 5 – 8 |
| 2. Juniors | Ages 9 – 13 |
| 3. Seniors | Ages 14 – 19 |

Section B – Dairy Heifers

Class

1. Cross – bred
2. Holstein
3. Jersey
4. Miniature

Section C – Dairy Cows

Class

1. Cross – bred
2. Holstein
3. Jersey
4. Miniature

DEPARTMENT 4 – DAIRY GOATS & DEPARTMENT 5 – MEAT GOATS

GOAT BARN RULES

1. Refer to Livestock and Poultry Health Requirements on page 27 for more information.
2. EACH EXHIBITOR WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO ENTER UP TO FOUR (4) GOATS.
3. No bucks will be exhibited or allowed on the fairgrounds.
4. No horned animals or scurs longer than 1" will be allowed in dairy classes.
5. All dairy goats must conform to breed standards.
6. Dairy goat classes will be decided after check in.
7. Horned animals are allowed in meat goat classes.
8. In the breeding meat goat show, does will be presented as percentage or pure according to the papers following ABGA rules. Registered goats must be in the exhibitor's name. Unregistered goats will be shown in the Commercial Females section with the exception of Pygmy Does.
9. Goats showing in the market show must be dehorned or have their horns tipped. Fair management would prefer animals to be dehorned.
10. Does with milk teeth may be shown in both breeding & market.
11. Commercial, market, and feeder classes will be decided after check in.
12. Market goats must have milk teeth.

13. All dairy goats must have registration papers in the exhibitor's name through the American Dairy Goat Association. Classes will be divided up based on breed.

DAIRY GOAT SHOW

Section A – Dairy Goat Showmanship

Class

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|---------------|---------------------|
| 1. Cloverbuds | <i>Ages 5 – 8</i> |
| 2. Juniors | <i>Ages 9 – 13</i> |
| 3. Seniors | <i>Ages 14 – 19</i> |

Section B – Junior Dairy Does: *Any doe under 24 months that has never freshened.*

Class

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Junior kid | <i>under 5 months</i> |
| 2. Intermediate kid | <i>5 – under 9 months</i> |
| 3. Senior kid | <i>9 – under 12 months</i> |
| 4. Yearling | <i>12 – under 24 months</i> |
| 5. Champion Junior Doe | <i>from each breed</i> |
| 6. Reserve Champion Junior Doe | <i>from each breed</i> |
| 7. Grand Champion Junior Doe | <i>from Champion of each breed</i> |
| 8. Reserve Grand Champion Junior Doe | |

Section C – Senior Dairy Does: *Any doe that has freshened.*

Class

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1. Yearling | <i>under 2 years</i> |
| 2. Junior Adult | <i>2 – under 3 years</i> |
| 3. Young Adult | <i>3 – under 4 years</i> |
| 4. Intermediate Adult | <i>4 – under 5 years</i> |
| 5. Senior Adult | <i>over 5 years</i> |
| 6. Champion Senior Doe | <i>from each breed</i> |
| 7. Reserve Champion Senior Doe | <i>from each breed</i> |
| 8. Grand Champion Senior Doe | <i>from Champion of each breed</i> |
| 9. Res. Grand Champion Senior Doe | |
| 10. Best Udder | <i>ea. exhibitor may choose 1 sr. doe</i> |

MEAT GOAT SHOW

Section A – Meat Goat Showmanship

Class

- | | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| 1. Cloverbuds | <i>Ages 5 – 8</i> |
| 2. Juniors | <i>Ages 9 – 13</i> |
| 3. Seniors | <i>Ages 14 – 19</i> |

Section B – Breeding Meat Does

Class

Junior Does

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|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Junior kid | <i>under 5 months</i> |
| 2. Intermediate kid | <i>5 – under 9 months</i> |
| 3. Senior kid | <i>9 – under 12 months</i> |
| 4. Yearling | <i>12 – under 24 months</i> |
| 5. Champion Junior Doe | <i>from classes 1 – 4</i> |
| 6. Reserve Champion Junior Doe | |

Senior Does

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| 7. Yearling | <i>under 2 years</i> |
| 8. Junior Adult | <i>2 – under 3 years</i> |
| 9. Young Adult | <i>3 – under 4 years</i> |
| 10. Intermediate Adult | <i>4 – under 5 years</i> |
| 11. Senior Adult | <i>over 5 years</i> |
| 12. Champion Senior Doe | <i>from classes 7 – 11</i> |
| 13. Reserve Champion Senior Doe | |
| 14. Grand Champion Meat Doe | <i>from Champion of Junior & Senior</i> |
| 15. Reserve Grand Champion Meat Doe | |

Section C – Commercial Meat Females

Section D – Market Goats

Section E – Feeder Goats

DEPARTMENT 6 – GAME BIRDS & DEPARTMENT 7 – POULTRY

POULTRY BARN RULES

1. Refer to Livestock and Poultry Health Requirements on page 27 for more information.
2. Ducks, geese, or turkeys may be exhibited; classes will be decided at check-in.
3. Trios are only allowed for chickens and shall consist of 1 male and 2 females of the same age.
4. Exhibitors will be responsible for identifying the breed and age of birds exhibited.
5. Poultry chain birds will be entered in a pen of three.
6. Major layer breeds may be entered as singles, trios, or a pen of 3 hens.
7. ALL birds must be tested before they will be allowed to check in. Exhibitors will be responsible for having their own poultry tested.
8. Game bird classes will be decided at check-in.
9. Exhibitors will be allowed to enter up to 3 entries in each class. The fair board reserves the right to limit entries based on space limitation.
10. Exhibitors are responsible for handling their own birds during testing and at check-in.
11. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding their birds throughout the duration of the fair and keeping their area clean, regardless of whether they will be sold or not.

GAME BIRD SHOW

Section A – Game Bird Show

Class

1. Pheasants
2. Pair of Pheasants
3. Quail
4. Pair of Quail
5. Other
6. Pair of Other

POULTRY SHOW

Section A – Poultry Showmanship

Class

- | | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| 1. Cloverbuds | <i>Ages 5 – 8</i> |
| 2. Juniors | <i>Ages 9 – 13</i> |
| 3. Seniors | <i>Ages 14 – 19</i> |

Section B – Chickens

Class

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|-----------------------|--|
| 1. Cockerel | <i>male under 1 year</i> |
| 2. Pullet | <i>female under 1 year</i> |
| 3. Rooster | <i>male over 1 year</i> |
| 4. Hen | <i>female over 1 year</i> |
| 5. Young Trio | <i>1 male and 2 females under 1 year</i> |
| 6. Old Trio | <i>1 male and 2 females over 1 year</i> |
| 7. Major Layer Breeds | <i>pen of 3</i> |
| 8. Poultry Chain | <i>pen of 3</i> |

Section C – Ducks

Class

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|----------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Young Drake | <i>male under 1 year</i> |
| 2. Young Hen | <i>female under 1 year</i> |
| 3. Old Drake | <i>male over 1 year</i> |
| 4. Old Hen | <i>female over 1 year</i> |

Section D – Geese

Class

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|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Young Gander | <i>male under 1 year</i> |
| 2. Young Goose | <i>female under 1 year</i> |
| 3. Old Gander | <i>male over 1 year</i> |
| 4. Old Goose | <i>female over 1 year</i> |

Section E – Turkeys

Class

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|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Young Tom | <i>male under 1 year</i> |
| 2. Young Hen | <i>female under 1 year</i> |
| 3. Old Tom | <i>male over 1 year</i> |
| 4. Old Hen | <i>female over 1 year</i> |

Section F – Other Birds

Class

1. Guineafowl
2. Peafowl
3. Other

DEPARTMENT 9 – RABBITS

RABBIT BARN RULES

1. Refer to Livestock and Poultry Health Requirements on page 27 for more information.
2. Rabbits must be permanently and legibly ear-marked in the left ear.
3. Classes will be decided on the day of the show.
4. Single fryers may not weigh more than 5 ½ pounds or be over 10 weeks of age.
5. Ownership deadline for fryer rabbits ONLY is August 1st 2026.
6. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and watering their rabbits as well as keeping their area clean.

RABBIT SHOW

Section A – Rabbit Showmanship

Class

- | | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| 1. Cloverbuds | <i>Ages 5 – 8</i> |
| 2. Juniors | <i>Ages 9 – 13</i> |
| 3. Seniors | <i>Ages 14 – 19</i> |

Section B – Breeding Rabbits: Does

Class

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|--|--|
| 1. Junior Doe | <i>of each breed</i> |
| 2. Champion Junior Doe | <i>from 1st place of each breed</i> |
| 3. Reserve Champion Junior Doe | |
| 4. Senior Doe | <i>of each breed</i> |
| 5. Champion Senior Doe | <i>from 1st place of each breed</i> |
| 6. Reserve Champion Senior Doe | |
| 7. Grand Champion Breeding Doe | <i>from Champion of Junior & Senior</i> |
| 8. Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Doe | |

Section C – Breeding Rabbits: Bucks

Class

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| 1. Junior Buck | <i>of each breed</i> |
| 2. Champion Junior Buck | <i>from 1st place of each breed</i> |
| 3. Reserve Champion Junior Buck | |
| 4. Senior Buck | <i>of each breed</i> |
| 5. Champion Senior Buck | <i>from 1st place of each breed</i> |
| 6. Reserve Champion Senior Buck | |
| 7. Grand Champion Breeding Buck | <i>from Champion of Junior & Senior</i> |
| 8. Reserve Champion Breeding Buck | |

Section D – Market Rabbits

DEPARTMENT #10 – SHEEP

SHEEP BARN RULES

1. Refer to Livestock and Poultry Health Requirements on page 27 for more information.
2. EACH EXHIBITOR WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO ENTER UP TO FOUR (4) SHEEP.
3. Weights for the market lamb show will be from 70 lbs. and up.
4. Commercial, market, and feeder classes will be decided at check-in.
5. Market lambs must be slick shorn within a week of the show.
6. Market lambs must have baby teeth.

SHEEP SHOW

Section A – Sheep Showmanship

Class

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|---------------|---------------------|
| 1. Cloverbuds | <i>Ages 5 – 8</i> |
| 2. Juniors | <i>Ages 9 – 13</i> |
| 3. Seniors | <i>Ages 14 – 19</i> |

Section B – Breeding Ewes

Class

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|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Junior Ewe Lamb | <i>6 – under 9 months</i> |
| 2. Senior Ewe Lamb | <i>9 – under 12 months</i> |
| 3. Yearling Ewe | <i>12 – under 24 months</i> |
| 4. Senior Ewe | <i>2 years and over</i> |
| 5. Ewe with Lamb | |
| 6. Grand Champion Ewe | |
| 7. Reserve Grand Champion Ewe | |

Section C – Breeding Rams

Class

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|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Junior Ram Lamb | <i>6 – under 9 months</i> |
| 2. Senior Ram Lamb | <i>9 – under 12 months</i> |
| 3. Yearling Ram | <i>12 – under 24 months</i> |
| 4. Senior Ram | <i>2 years and over</i> |
| 5. Grand Champion Ram | |
| 6. Reserve Grand Champion Ram | |

Section D – Commercial Ewes

Section E – Market Lambs

Section F – Feeder Lambs

DEPARTMENT #11 – SWINE

SWINE BARN RULES

1. Refer to Livestock and Poultry Health Requirements on page 27 for more information.
2. EACH EXHIBITOR WILL ONLY BE ALLOWED TO ENTER UP TO FOUR (4) SWINE.
3. Registered gilts shown in a breeding class will be allowed in the market hog show.
4. The commercial, market, and feeder shows will be divided into weight classes after check-in at the superintendent's discretion.
5. Commercial gilts shown in the commercial gilt show will be allowed in the market hog show.
6. Market hogs can be purebred or crossbred.
7. Weight requirements for the market show are 160 lbs. to 280 lbs.
8. The maximum weight for feeder hog show is 159 lbs.

SWINE SHOW

Section A – Swine Showmanship

Class

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|---------------|---------------------|
| 1. Cloverbuds | <i>Ages 5 – 8</i> |
| 2. Juniors | <i>Ages 9 – 13</i> |
| 3. Seniors | <i>Ages 14 – 19</i> |

Section B – Breeding Gilts

Class

1. January Gilt
2. February Gilt
3. March Gilt
4. April Gilt
5. May Gilt
6. Grand Champion Gilt
7. Reserve Grand Champion Gilt

Section C – Breeding Boars

Class

1. January Boar
2. February Boar
3. March Boar
4. April Boar
5. May Boar
6. Grand Champion Boar
7. Reserve Grand Champion Boar

Section D – Commercial Gilts

Section E – Market Hogs

Section F – Feeder Hogs

HOT SPRING COUNTY YOUTH LIVESTOCK PREMIUM SALE

1. The Hot Spring County Fair and Livestock Association Sale committee has complete operation of the Hot Spring County Youth Livestock sale.
2. The Hot Spring County Livestock Premium Sale is open to youth exhibitors only.
3. A youth that meets the requirements will only be able to sell one animal. **If an exhibitor has more than one animal eligible for the sale, they may choose which one to take.**
4. Buyers pay only a premium bid on any animal in the sale.
5. The list of animals are as follows (they are not in the sale order):
 - a. 1-5 place Market Steers
 - b. 1-5 place Market Hogs
 - c. 1-5 place Market Lambs
 - d. 1-5 place Market Goats
 - e. 1-5 place Market Rabbits
 - f. Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Poultry Chain
 - g. Best Bird of Show & Best Young Trio, Old Trio, Chicken, Turkey, Duck, Goose, Game Bird, Other Bird
 - h. Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Males (cattle, rabbits, sheep, swine)
 - i. Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Females (cattle, goats, rabbits, sheep, swine)
 - j. Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Females (cattle, goats, sheep, swine)
6. The judge will pick sale order after the Grand and Reserve Grand are chosen on sale qualifying shows.
7. Youth must be present to sell animal.