

The 2026 Baltimore County 4-H Fair

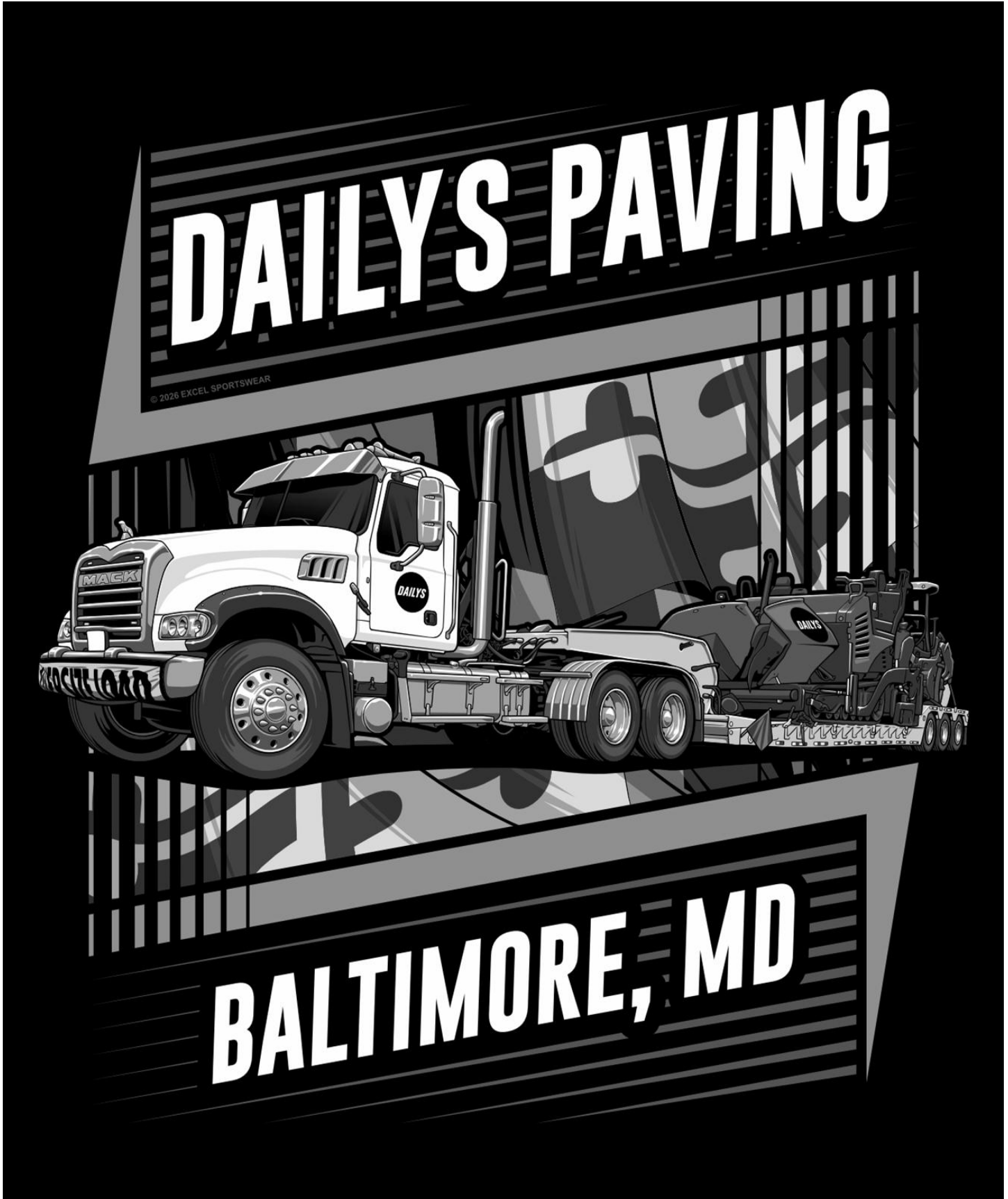


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2026 Baltimore County 4-H Fair Committees

Positions are appointed annually

Committee	Contacts	Phone Number
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This event would not be possible without the endless volunteer hours given by members of the committees, department superintendents, fair board members, and the Baltimore County Extension Office. A heart felt thank you to everyone who has given their time to make the best better for Baltimore County 4-H Youth.



Baltimore County 4-H Fair Board of Directors

To Promote and Support the 4-H Program and Agriculture

We are proud of the growth in quality of the 4-H exhibits and the dedicated efforts of local leaders, parents, and club members. We hope this fair will be a representative of the interests of youth and agriculture and that participation will result in proper recognition of our 4-H exhibitors' project work.

We gratefully acknowledge the support given by the Maryland Agricultural Fair Board, The Maryland State Fair and Agricultural Society, Inc., and the many sponsors and patrons.

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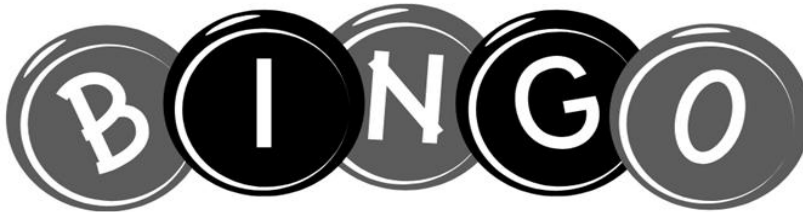
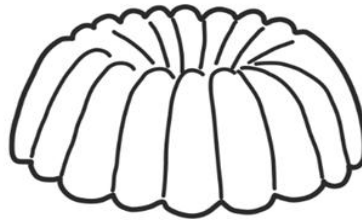
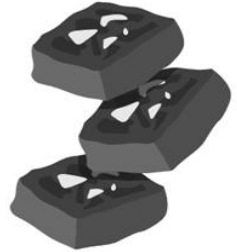
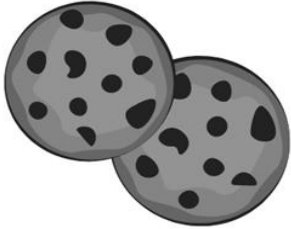
Name and Position	Phone Number	Board member service ends in September of the following years:
Sean Klein: President	443-463-3800	2026
Lynne Rexroad: Vice President	443-619-3505	2028
Anita Thomas: Secretary	410-877-2872	2027
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Karleigh Bankert, Youth Director		December 31, 2027
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Cake Auction

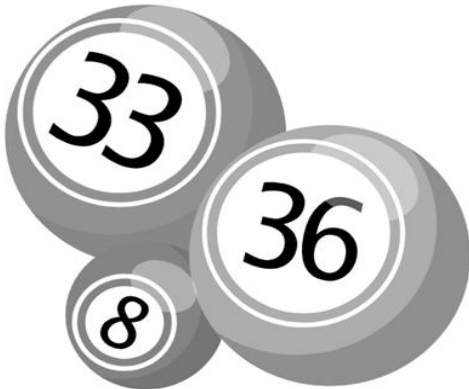
THURSDAY JULY 16, 2026

7:00 P.M



FRIDAY JULY 17, 2026

7:00 P.M



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Fair Schedule

Saturday - July 11th, 2026

Closed to the Public -

All exhibitors to help with set-up

Event	Location	Start Time	End Time
Fair Set-up	Cow Palace	9:00AM	1:00PM

Tuesday - July 14th, 2026

Closed to the Public

Event	Location	Start Time	End Time
Indoor & Club Exhibits Received (EXCEPT the Foods Department)	South Cow Palace	3:00PM	7:30PM
Beef/Dairy Steer/Dairy/Goat/Sheep/Swine Received and check-in with livestock superintendent	South Cow Palace	8:00AM	8:00PM
Weigh-in	Scales	5:00PM	9:00PM
Poultry and Rabbit Exhibits Received	South Cow Palace	3:00PM	6:00PM
Indoor Judge and Helper Dinner	South Cow Palace	5:00PM	7:30PM
Indoor Exhibits Closed for Judging	South Cow Palace	7:30PM	
All Livestock Exhibitors Meeting/Overnight Orientation	Show Ring 1	9:30PM	

Wednesday July 15th, 2026

12:00PM to 10PM

Event	Location	Start Time	End Time
Youth Corn Hole Tournament	South Cow Palace	12:00PM	2:00PM
Show Clinic	Show Ring 1	2:00PM	3:00PM
Small Engines and Garden Tractor Contest	TBD	4:00PM	6:00PM
Bicycle Contest	TBD	6:00PM	
Swine Show	Show Ring 1	6:00PM	9:00PM
Celebrity Swine Show	Show Ring 1	7:30PM	

Thursday July 16th, 2026

10:00AM-10:00PM

Event	Location	Start Time	End Time
Food Exhibits Received	South Cow Palace	8:30AM	10:30AM
Dairy Goat Show	Show Ring 1	10:00AM	12:00PM
Gellyball	TBD	10:00AM	8:00PM
Fashion Revue Judging	TBD	11:00 AM	1:00PM
Dog Show	Dog Ring	12:00PM	2:00PM
Market and Breeding Lamb Show	Show Ring 1	1:00PM	3:00PM
Breeding and Meat Goat Show	Show Ring 1	3:00PM	4:30PM
Fashion Revue and Awards	Center Stage	5:00PM	6:00PM
Cat Cage Decoration Judging	South Cow Palace	5:00PM	5:45PM
Picnic Supper	Center Stage	6:00PM	7:00PM
Cake Auction	Center Stage	7:00PM	8:30PM
Youth Entertainment	South Cow Palace	8:30PM	9:30PM



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Friday July 17th, 2026
10:00AM-10:00PM

Event	Location	Start Time	End Time
Poultry Show/Judging	Poultry Pens	TBD	
Horse Show	Horse Ring	8:00AM	
Livestock Skillathon	TBD	9:00AM	11:00AM
Ice cream Contest	Center Stage	10:00AM	11:00AM
Gellyball	TBD	10:00AM	8:00PM
Wool Sheep Show	Show Ring 1	11:00AM	11:30AM
Shepherd's Lead	Show Ring 1	12:00PM	12:30PM
Plant Swap	South Cow Palace	12:30PM	2:00PM
Dairy Steer Show	Show Ring 1	2:00PM	2:30PM
Beef Show	Show Ring 1	2:30PM	5:30PM
Rabbit Hopping	South Cow Palace	3:00PM	4:00PM
Cavy Exhibits Received	South Cow Palace	4:00PM	6:00PM
Rabbit and Cavy Showmanship and Written Test	South Cow Palace	4:30PM	6:00PM
Battle of the Beast	Show Ring 1	6:00PM	8:00PM
Bingo	Center Stage	7:00PM	9:00PM
Line Dancing	TBD	8:00PM	10:00PM

Saturday July 18th, 2026
8:00AM-10:00PM

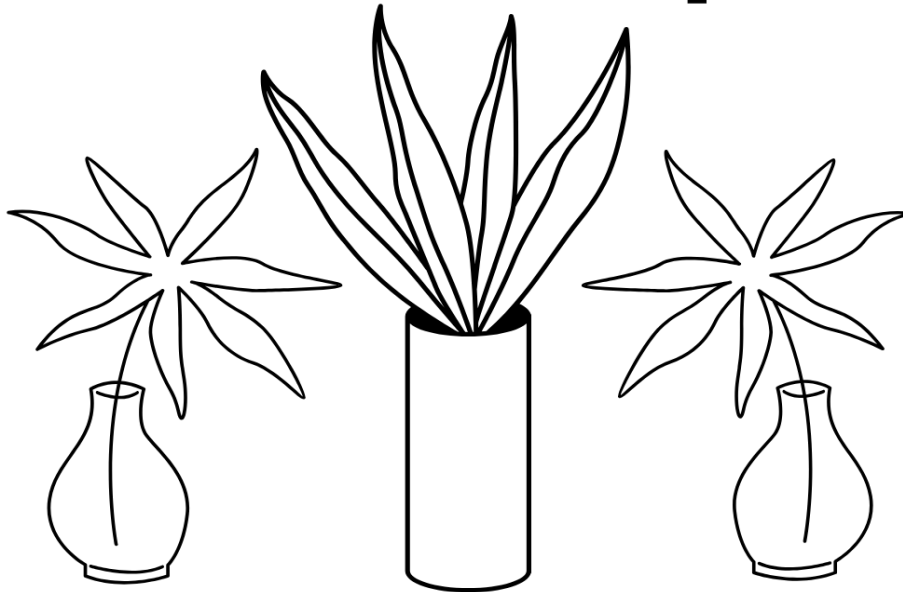
Event	Location	Start Time	End Time
Dairy Heifer Show	Show Ring 1	8:00AM	10:00AM
Cats Received	South Cow Palace	9:00AM	10:00AM
Robotics	Center Stage	10:00AM	11:00AM
Animal Costume Contest	Show Ring 1	10:00AM	11:00AM
Rabbit and Cavy Show	South Cow Palace	11:30AM	2:00PM
Pedal Tractor Pull	TBD	12:00PM	2:00PM
Cat Show	South Cow Palace	1:30PM	2:30PM
Clover Pet Parade	TBD	2:00PM	3:00PM
Showmanship Showdown	Show Ring 1	2:00PM	4:00PM
Corn Hole Tournament	South Cow Palace	4:30PM	7:00PM
Entertainment (Live Music)	South Cow Palace	5:00PM	7:00PM
Livestock Buyers Reception	South Cow Palace	5:30PM	6:45PM
Livestock Auction	Center Stage	7:00PM	8:30PM
4-H Youth Entertainment	TBD	8:30PM	9:30PM
ALL ANIMALS ARE RELEASED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE LIVESTOCK AUCTION			

Sunday July 19th, 2026
Closed to the Public - 8:00AM-12:00PM

Event	Location	Start Time	End Time
Mandatory Fair Clean-up/Indoor Exhibits Released	South Cow Palace	8:00AM	12:00PM



Join us for our 1st Baltimore County 4-H Fair Plant Swap!



**FRIDAY JULY 17TH
12:30PM – 2:00PM**

It is easy and fun. All plants must be healthy looking with no visible signs of disease or pest infestation. Please label your plants with their names such African Violet or Spider Plant. If your plant is not blooming, add what color flowers it will have.

Reach out to Sara Ani if you have any questions!

410-446-3327



General Rules and Regulations

1. Alcohol and other recreational and/or controlled substances are prohibited and not allowed on the fairgrounds. Violators will be removed from the premises. No smoking or vaping permitted on the premises.
2. **Anyone exhibiting or participating in activities at the Baltimore County 4-H Club Fair must abide by all General and Department Rules and is responsible to the Baltimore County 4-H Club Fair Association Officials.**
3. Disorderly or disrespectful conduct will not be permitted.
4. Any violation of the 4-H Behavioral Expectations and Code of Conduct will be addressed to the Fair Association Board and may result in one or more of the following:
 - a. Exhibitor will be placed on probation for the duration of the fair.
 - b. Exhibitor will be removed from the activity or event.
 - c. Exhibitor will forfeit all ribbons, premiums, and trophies.
 - d. Exhibitor will be disqualified from the fair.
5. The Fair Board reserves the right to interpret all rules and regulations and resolve situations which may arise and is not restricted by the lack of a rule or regulation.
6. All Exhibitors must have been enrolled in a Baltimore County 4-H Club on or before May 1 of the current year. **FFA Members need to be enrolled in their chapter by February 15th.**
7. All exhibits must be the result of the current year's club work.
8. Only entries in class lists will be accepted. Each entry must meet the specification of the class in which it is entered.
9. Competent judges will be selected, and their decisions will be final.
10. No department or exhibitor is to use latex balloons in decorations.
11. Indoor project exhibits will be judged on a dual system. Exhibits within a class are judged according to a set of standards, and Gold, Silver, or Bronze ribbons awarded. The exhibits will then be compared to each other and ribbons awarded to top placements. This group receives premium money. If warranted, judges have privilege of not awarding first place.
12. Premiums: Due to proposed Maryland budgetary constraints that are beyond the control of the Baltimore County 4-H Fair Board, the Board reserves the right to withhold a portion of premium monies, up to and including all of an exhibitor's earned premium payment, for the 4-H Fair.
13. Except where stated in a Department's rules, exhibitors will forfeit all premium money, ribbons, and trophies, in all of their projects exhibited if they remove any one or all of their Indoor Exhibit(s) or Animal Exhibit(s) before designated release times stated in the Fair Schedule. No exceptions will be made for an earlier release.
14. Not more than (1) entry per class may be exhibited by any (1) exhibitor except: Beef, Cats, Dairy Goats, Dairy Cows and Heifers, Dairy Steers, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goats, Rabbits, and Poultry. See department rules for exceptions. Exhibitors with more than one entry in a class may have another 4-H / FFA exhibitor of the same age or younger show an animal.
15. All reasonable precautions will be taken for the safety of people while on the fairground's property, but the Fair Board Association will not be responsible nor held liable for injury to any person.
16. Every animal and article upon the grounds will be under the control of the Fair Board Association, and every precaution will be taken for the safe keeping of same, the Association will not be held responsible for any damage, accident, or injury which may occur.



ENTRY DEADLINE JUNE 1ST

Quality Assurance Program must be completed by JUNE 1ST. For more information, please contact the 4-H Extension Office at 410-887-8090.

Rules for Exhibiting at the Fair

1. Online entries close JUNE 1st at 11:59 p.m.
2. Exhibitors will be limited to one entry per class unless otherwise indicated.
3. Entry fees must be paid in full and postmarked by June 1st. Check or money order is to be mailed to: Baltimore County 4-H Fair, Inc. Attention: Registration P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152. Online payments can be made through the Blue Ribbon Entry System. **Entry fees are due for everything regardless of what the exhibitor brings to the fair. If entry fees are still owed by the conclusion of the fair, they will be deducted from premiums.**
4. All Youth (4-H, FFA, and Open Horse Show) entering animals must include a signed:
 - Health form
 - Maryland 4-H Youth Code of Conduct
 - 4-H Liability Release & Informed Consent Agreement
 - 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics
 - **Baltimore County 4-H Fair Wavier of Liability**
5. All Youth (4-H and FFA) entering indoor exhibits or contests must include a signed:
 - Health form
 - Maryland 4-H Youth Code of Conduct
 - 4-H Liability Release & Informed Consent Agreement
 - **Baltimore County 4-H Fair Wavier of Liability**
6. All animal exhibits must obtain approved health papers for their species. Exhibitors must submit a copy of their health papers on arrival. Health papers must be available for the entire time the animal is housed on the fairgrounds for inspection by official veterinarian.
7. Contests accept walk-in entries a ½ hour prior to the event. Sign-up with the department superintendent.
 - DEPT 32 - Pedal Tractor Pull
 - DEPT 33 - Bicycle Safety
 - DEPT 35 - Clover Pet Parade
 - DEPT 40 - Judging Contests
 - DEPT 44 - Scarecrow Making
 - DEPT 46 - Small Engines/Garden Tractor
8. In Departments divided into **Junior and Senior Classes**: Junior is between the ages of 8 and 13 years and a senior is between the ages of 14 and 18 years as of January 1 of the current year. For Departments with **Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Classes**: A Junior is between the ages of 8 and 10 years, an Intermediate is between the ages of 11 and 13 years, and a Senior is between the ages of 14 and 18 years as of January 1 of the current year. A 4-H/FFA member may exhibit in a class above his/her age level but may not enter in a class designated for a younger age group. The 4-H/FFA member may not enter the same type of item in two different age divisions.
9. Only the 4-H/FFA Exhibitor will be permitted to work on his/her own entries.
10. Exhibitors of animals must furnish their own food and bedding. Animals must be always kept in their pens or designated areas except for show time or walking to the wash racks. Animals



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should never be walked or ridden in other areas of the barns or fairgrounds. This is for the safety of both the general public and the animal.

11. All animal exhibitors must always have registration and health papers available.
 - All required ear tags (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA Tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) must be in place prior to arrival at the fairgrounds. Animals without required tags upon arrival to fairgrounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
 - In addition, all cattle and swine (registered or commercial) must have the US official RFID tag via producer or vet as required by the Maryland Department of Agriculture.
 - All sheep and goat are required to have appropriate scrapie identification.
 - Horses must be accompanied by a valid Coggins Test done within 12 months.
 - Poultry must arrive with test results of negative testing for Pullorum-Typhoid & Avian Influenza.
 - Rabbits must arrive with an individual identification of each animal; a tag, tattoo, or microchip if the exhibitor provides the reader.
12. NO SALE OR ADVERTISEMENT OF ANIMALS PERMITTED EXCEPT THROUGH THE LIVESTOCK SALE.
13. With prior approval of the exhibitor, exhibits may be used for judging classes during the Judging Contests.
14. **Show Attire:** The following prescribed show attire is required for all exhibitors in Fitting and Showmanship, Breed Classes, Market Classes, and Livestock Sale:
 - No farm names or other identification shall appear on show uniforms.
 - Exhibitor should portray a clean, neatly groomed and attired appearance.
 - Safe, appropriate attire, including footwear, is required at all times.
 - Shirts must have collars. No spaghetti straps, tank tops, or exposed midriffs.
 - Shirts must be tucked in and no undergarments showing.
 - No shorts will be allowed.
 - Caps or another headwear shall not be worn in the show ring, except for approved headgear in the horse show.
 - Exhibitors not adhering to the show attire requirements will be excused from the show ring and forfeit their premiums.
 - Rabbit and Cavy Exhibitors are required to wear the following:
 - Males – Khaki slacks or shorts. Collared white button down or polo shirt.
 - Females – Khaki slacks, shorts, or skirts. Collared white button down or polo shirt.
 - Livestock Exhibitors (beef cattle, sheep, meat goats, and swine) are required to wear the following uniform for all **Classes**:
 - **4-H Male** – Khaki or green slacks. Belt, if slacks have belt loops. White shirt with collar, tucked in. Green or black neckpiece. Approved neckpieces include: necktie, bow tie, bolo tie, ribbon, or a tied bandana. Jewelry does not qualify as a neckpiece – no exceptions.
 - **4-H Female** – Khaki or green slacks or skirt (not above the knees). Belt, if slacks have belt loops. White shirt with collar (no tight fit), tucked in. Green or black neckpiece. Approved neckpieces include: necktie, bow tie, bolo tie, ribbon, or a tied bandana. Jewelry does not qualify as a neckpiece – no exceptions.



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- Dairy cattle and dairy goat exhibitors are required to wear the following uniform for all **Classes**:
 - **4-H Male** – White slacks. Belt, if slacks have belt loops. White shirt with collar, tucked in. Green or black neckpiece. Approved neckpieces include: necktie, bow tie, bolo tie, ribbon, or a tied bandana. Jewelry does not qualify as a neckpiece – no exceptions.
 - **4-H Female** – White slacks or skirt (not above the knees). Belt, if slacks have belt loops. White shirt with collar (no tight fit), tucked in. Green or black neckpiece. Approved neckpieces include: necktie, bow tie, bolo tie, ribbon, or a tied bandana. Jewelry does not qualify as a neckpiece – no exceptions.
 - FFA Show Attire
 - **Dairy Cattle** - The official dress for FFA members exhibiting dairy cattle is white pants, white shirts, blue FFA tie or scarf and official FFA jacket.
 - **All Other Livestock** - The official dress for FFA members exhibiting livestock (except dairy cattle) is black pants, white shirts, blue FFA tie or scarf and official FFA jacket.
 - Note – Jackets may be dismissed at judges’ discretion. Jackets should be worn when selling their animals at the market sales.
15. Premium and sales checks must be cashed within 90 days of issue date or checks will be voided and not re-issued.
 16. Bicycles will be allowed at the fair only during the Bicycle Safety Contest. At all other times they must be parked.
 17. No companion animals allowed. Only animals entered and being shown are permitted on the fairgrounds. Only dogs entered in the Dog Show will be allowed on the fairgrounds and only during the dog show. Service animals are permitted.
 18. The fairgrounds will be closed to the public, vendors, and exhibitors not authorized to remain overnight between 11p.m. and 6 a.m. each night.
 19. Protests must be submitted in writing to a member of the Baltimore County 4-H Club Fair Association Board within 24 hours of the incident or appeal in dispute. The reason that prompted the complaint or appeal must clearly stated and supported by fact. A fee of \$100.00 must accompany the complaint or appeal. The Fair Board will render a decision as soon as possible after receiving the protest. The fee will be returned if the decision is in favor of the complainant. The decision of the board is final.
 20. No skateboards, roller blades, scooters, skates, or glass beverage containers are allowed on the fairgrounds at any time.
 21. Overnight - Exhibitors & Adults: Objective of Staying Overnight: To reinforce the responsibility of animal care and ownership and to ensure the safety and health of animals in their respective area. Overnight is not intended as a social event.
 22. By signing up for the “overnight department” the parents, guardians, or chaperones are agreeing to provide all oversight and responsibility to the youth under their care. In doing so they indemnify the Baltimore County 4-H Fair & Associates from all legal repercussion, both criminal and civil.



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VIOLATIONS: Any violations of the rules will be addressed to the fair board and may result in one or more of the following:

1. Member will be placed on probation for the duration of the fair.
2. Member will be removed from activity or event.
3. Member will forfeit all ribbons, premiums, and trophies.
4. Member will be disqualified from the fair.
5. Member will be disqualified from entering the livestock sale.

CHAPERONES: Youth may not be left unattended at the fair anytime, day or night. A designated chaperone must be responsible and keep youth under their direct supervision.

1. There shall be a ratio of one adult for every three members regardless of member's ages or relationship.
2. All adult chaperones must be UME approved volunteers.
3. Parents are welcome to stay with their own children but cannot be responsible for other children if not a UME volunteer.
4. All UME volunteers and parents staying overnight **must complete the Jotform or mail (be postmarked) by June 1** of the current year a completed Health Form and Adult Release Form to **Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association Inc. Attention: Lynne Rexroad P.O. Box 1008, Sparks, MD 21152.**
5. Parents or emergency contact must remain available in the event a child must be sent home for any reason. The parent/child remains responsible for the welfare of their animal(s).
6. The Baltimore County 4-H Fair & Association, Inc. assumes no liability expressed or implied for the safety, health, or wellbeing of any youth at or overnighting at the Baltimore County 4-H Fair. It is the sole responsibility of the parent, guardian, or chaperone of any and all youth to provide and take responsibility for the safety, health, and wellbeing of any and all youth that they supervise throughout the duration of the fair.

RULES OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS: No public interaction with the livestock at any time.

1. A curfew of 11:00 p.m. will be enforced. All members must be in their designated area by that time and remain there until morning.
2. Grooming of animals must cease at least 30 minutes prior to the 4-H youths reporting to their designated sleeping areas.
3. Anyone not staying overnight must be off the fairgrounds at least 30 minutes prior to the 4-H youths reporting to their designated sleeping areas.
4. Alcohol and other recreational and/or controlled dangerous substances are prohibited.
5. Smoking/ vaping is not permitted.
6. Members must have completed the Jot form or **mailed the following forms to Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association Inc. Attention: Lynne Rexroad P.O. Box 1008, Sparks, MD 21152 by June 1st:**
 - a. Health Form
 - b. Maryland 4-H Youth Code of Conduct
 - c. Liability Release & Informed Consent Agreement
 - d. 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics – **Animal Exhibitors Only**
 - e. **Baltimore County 4-H Fair Wavier of Liability**
7. Members are discouraged from bringing vehicles to the Fairgrounds. Those who do must give keys to the designated chaperone by 10:00 p.m.



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8. Members are responsible for cleaning up their areas, trash from the fairgrounds and the bathrooms.

FAIR OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Decisions made by the fair oversight committee shall be final and binding.

The Fair Oversight Committee will be established by the Board of Directors of the Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association. The committee shall have the authority to decide the following:

- Cases of alleged violations of the practices and procedure as defined in the MD 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics
- Cases of alleged rules and regulations violations and incidents involving alleged misconduct or unsportsmanlike behavior are pertinent to the livestock and small animals shows and competitions held at and/or in connection with the Baltimore County 4-H Fair.

The Fair Oversight committee will consist of five (5) members as follows:

- Two (2) members shall be appointed from the Board of Directors of the Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association. Of these two members, one shall be the Fair Board President who shall be the Chairman of the Fair Oversight Committee and one shall be one other member of the board.
- Two (2) members shall be appointed from animal departments of beef, dairy, goats, horse, poultry, rabbits, sheep, swine, dogs, and cats. Members may not be from the same department.
- One (1) member shall be appointed from the Baltimore County 4-H Faculty (or their designated alternate).

One alternate will be selected to replace any committee member when the violation/incident under review is either from the department of the member or concerns a person related to the member.

A quorum of the Fair Oversight Committee will require three (3) of the five (5) appointed members to be present at convened meetings. Minutes shall be taken at meetings of the Fair Oversight Committee and will become a permanent record of the business of the Fair Association. The minutes shall be given to and permanently kept by the current Secretary of the Board of Directors.

Violations of practices and procedures are defined in the MD 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics will result in the following immediate actions carried out by the Fair Oversight Committee:

- Expulsion of the exhibitor as well as the animal(s) to be shown by the exhibitor in all 4-H /FFA shows and competition at and/or in connection with the current Baltimore County 4-H Fair.
- Forfeiture of all Baltimore County 4-H Fair premiums and awards given for the Baltimore County 4-H Fair entries.



BALTIMORE COUNTY 4-H FAIR ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To further achieve the goals of the Maryland 4-H Youth Development Program, the Baltimore County 4-H Fair board has adopted an eligibility requirement for 4-H County Fair Exhibitors. **All 4-H youth, ages 8 to 18, who exhibited in the 2025 Baltimore County 4-H Fair are required to complete and submit to the Baltimore County 4-H Office one completed project record to be eligible to show at the 2026 Baltimore County 4-H Fair.**

Project Record Completion Requirements:

1. Complete the Project Record Form
2. Record project exhibits or competition.
3. Give a project related demonstration or illustrated talk to an audience of 3 or more non-related people.

Additionally,

- **All 4-H Horse exhibitors** are required to complete the horse project as per Maryland 4-H rule.
- **All 4-H Livestock Sale participants** are required to complete one project record per species sold at the auction per Livestock Sale Rule #1.

NOTE: 4-H Exhibitors who fulfill one or both of the above rule requirements meet the Fair Board's eligibility requirements.

- Livestock leasing forms must be submitted to the Baltimore County 4-H Office at least 6 months prior to the fair.
- All animal exhibitors must complete the animal quality assurance for each species they show. In addition, every time an exhibitor changes age divisions, exhibitors must take the animal quality assurance again.
- **All non-horse/non-livestock sale exhibitors** are required to complete at a minimum, one project record on a fair exhibit or competition (ex: bicycle contest) of their choice.

NOTE: Fair Participation includes competitions held prior to the fair including Fashion Revue, Champion Chow, Public Speaking, Demonstrations & Visual Presentations, and Marksmanship.

- All 4-H youth are encouraged to exceed the Fair Board's required 1 project completion by completing a record book or a Sr. Portfolio.

FFA Requirements to Enter in the 2026 Baltimore County 4-H Fair

FFA members who exhibited in the 2025 Baltimore County 4-H Fair must be in good standing and complete an FFA SAE project record. The 4-H Fair Board needs to receive a completed SAE report by June 1, 2026.



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**2026 MARYLAND ANIMAL HEALTH
EXHIBITION (FAIR AND SHOW) REQUIREMENTS**

Ref: COMAR 15.11.14.06

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Effective: February 1, 2026

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GENERAL INFORMATION:

The Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) Animal Health Program strives to safeguard Maryland's animal industries at our fairs and shows. With an increased potential of disease transmission occurring when large numbers of animals gather for exhibition, MDA has set forth requirements for exhibitors to follow at Maryland fairs and shows. As an exhibitor, you can help reduce the potential risk of introduction and spread of infectious and/or contagious diseases by following the species-specific health requirements below. Fairs may impose more stringent rules than the requirements in this document at their own discretion. All exhibitors are encouraged to check with the management of each fair in advance to ensure compliance with all fair requirements. These requirements and recommendations are a shared responsibility of show management and exhibitors to protect public and animal health in the state. Exhibitors and exhibition managers are expected to comply with all applicable Maryland laws. These requirements are subject to change. For the most up to date requirements please refer to our [website](#).

NOTABLE 2026 ANIMAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

1. CERTIFICATES OF VETERINARY INSPECTION (CVI):
 - a. Maryland CVI's are now valid for **ONLY 60 days** (NOT 120 days).
 - b. Online CVIs have always been accepted and are **strongly recommended**. **Veterinarians are encouraged to use electronic CVI's**. Owners are required to produce a copy (digital or printed).
 - c. Starting in 2026, there is a fee for paper CVI's (\$3/certificate). They will be distributed in packs of 25 (\$75/pack) with a shipping fee of \$25. We will **NOT** be printing more CVI's, therefore once our inventory is out, you will be required to use an electronic CVI.
 - d. Equids will be required to have either a CVI or verification of a veterinary-client-patient-relationship (VCPR).
 - e. It is strongly recommended that all rabbits be accompanied by a CVI.
2. EXHIBITOR RECOMMENDATIONS
 - a. All animals that originate from a location other than Maryland shall meet all Maryland State importation regulations appropriate to the species in addition to the fair animal health requirements.
 - b. It is strongly recommended that animals returning home from exhibitions be isolated from other members of the herd or flock for a minimum of 14 days to help prevent the spread of disease. We recommend that exhibitors of all animals discuss the health of their animals, including vaccine recommendations and other preventative measures, with a veterinarian on a regular basis. Owners and their veterinarians should carefully check and comply with additional requirements specific to each exhibition prior to the exhibition to ensure eligibility.
3. EXHIBITION BIOSECURITY AND SPACE REQUIREMENTS
 - a. Note the recommendations for poultry, rabbits, and commercial animal exhibits in their designated sections.
 - b. An exhibition facility and its associated buildings shall be cleaned and disinfected with a State Veterinarian-approved disinfectant and used in accordance with label



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other occurrence at which any number of horses of more than one (1) owner are gathered.

1. Proof of a valid negative Coggin's is required for ALL events except sales and auctions in which all horses will be tested for equine infectious anemia.
 2. Maryland equids must have verification of a veterinary-client-patient relationship (VCPR). This can be either a current CVI or EECVI (recommended), however, a completed VCPR form is acceptable.
- ii. MDA Animal Health will contact equine event managers after receiving a copy of their notification form for exhibition to ensure that all participating horses have a valid negative Coggins.
 - iii. A valid test is one which has a negative result from blood drawn less than one (1) year from the event date and matches the horse presented. One person should be designated by the organization to serve as the equine event manager. Additionally, the event manager is subject to notification prior to the event to provide the Equine Event Report or a similar report, that each horse at the event has a valid negative Coggin's test.
 - iv. COMAR 15.11.12.03 states that:
 1. All equines over 9 months old assembled for supervised exhibition in the State shall have been found negative to an official test for equine infectious anemia made within 12 months before the date of the event. The supervisor of the event shall ascertain that a copy of the official negative test results accompanies each equine to the event and shall make a list of the entries and their test status available for inspection by a representative of the Secretary upon request.

7. DEFINITIONS:

a. PETTING ZOO

- i. An exhibition where the public is encouraged to touch/interact with any livestock or other animals.
- ii. This can include but is not limited to pony rides and fair and show petting zoos.

b. COMMERCIAL ANIMAL EXHIBIT

- i. A public display of animals for profit, which can include goat yoga, cow cuddling, piglet snuggling, rent-a-chick etc.
 1. These exhibits are subject to regulations, such as those under the Animal Welfare Act, which mandate minimum standards of care for animals that are exhibited.
 2. Exhibitors must have a valid commercial animal exhibit registration through the Maryland Department of Agriculture. The form is available on MDA's [website](#).

c. EDUCATIONAL ANIMAL EXHIBIT

- i. Breed displays, birthing centers and other displays/exhibits where the public is **not** permitted to touch the animals.



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instructions before animals are admitted and between groups of animals when housing is rotated.

- i. Approved Disinfectants: follow label directions for use of any disinfectant, if not specified below.
 1. Accelerated Hydrogen Peroxides (Accel®, Intervention®, or Rescue®)
 2. Bleach (such as Clorox®) at a ratio of 1:32, which is ½ cup (4 oz.) to 1 gallon of water. Do not add ammonia to bleach/water mixture.
 3. Phenolic disinfectants (like Pinesol ®) for poultry equipment and pens
 4. Virkon-S®

4. RESPONSIBLE PERSON ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

- a. All responsible persons or superintendents at exhibitions will be required to fill out an acknowledgement form of exhibition requirements and biosecurity best practices.
- b. This form is available on [MDA's website](#) and should be returned to our office at least 30 days prior to the event.

5. MARYLAND POULTRY:

- a. For avian influenza testing, a representative sample of **10 BIRDS PER PREMISES** must be tested within 21 days of the event start date, regardless of National Poultry Improvement Program (NPIP) status.
 - i. If there are less than 10 birds, then all birds must be tested.
 - ii. Owners are required to produce a copy of the test results (digital or printed).
- b. Meat birds are required to be tested for AI.
- c. Meat bird projects, properly identified with a leg/wing band, do not need to be PT tested but must be separated from other untested birds on the premises.

6. MARYLAND EQUIDS:

- a. Maryland equids must have verification of a veterinary-client-patient relationship (VCPR). This can be either a current CVI or EECVI (recommended), however, a completed VCPR form is acceptable. Owners are required to produce a copy (digital or printed). Please visit our [website](#) for the VCPR form.
- b. It is the responsibility of the horse owner to be aware of any changes to health and travel requirements during disease outbreaks that may be posted to our [website](#). Consult with your veterinarian to understand the risks associated with travel to equine events.
- c. An Equine Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health is **required** for each equine entering a fair/show-type event where multiple livestock species are present. The form must be available for inspection if requested (digital or printed). Those participating in equine-only shows and events are exempt from this requirement.
- d. INSTRUCTIONS TO EQUINE EVENT MANAGERS
 - i. An equine event is any **organized** equine show, sale/auction, exhibition, contest, fair, trail ride, parade, wagon train, charity or social event, or any



MARYLAND LAW PROVIDES PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF ANIMAL HEALTH LAW AND REGULATIONS. LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY FAILING TO MEET COMPLETE DOCUMENTATION OF ALL REQUIREMENTS WILL BE DENIED ENTRY OR REMOVED FROM THE EXHIBITION - "REJECTED." SEE ANIMAL REJECTION POLICY UNDER GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITORS.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SPONSORS OF A LIVESTOCK/POULTRY EXHIBITION

(COMAR 15.11.14.05)

1. **NOTIFICATION:** Exhibit sponsors must notify the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA), of intent to sponsor an event that includes the exhibition of livestock or poultry **no less than 30 days before** the proposed event. Please fill out all contact information correctly, to include a phone number and email address. Animal arrival times **MUST** be provided to ensure coverage for entry. Please call 410.841.5810 to request a **NOTIFICATION FORM** or go to MDA's [website](#).
2. **RESPONSIBLE PERSON ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM:** All responsible persons or superintendents at exhibitions will be required to fill out an acknowledgement form of exhibition requirements and biosecurity best practices. This form is available on MDA's [website](#) and should be returned to our office **at least 30 days prior** to the event.
3. **REPORTING:** Sponsors must report to MDA, within 24 hours, any animal from the exhibition suspected of having or showing obvious, apparent, or known signs of a contagious or infectious disease and/or deaths; and exclude from the exhibition premises any animals having obvious, apparent, or known signs of a contagious or infectious disease. A summary of all disease events shall be provided to MDA, in the form of an animal incident report. Call 410.841.5810 to request an **ANIMAL INCIDENT REPORT FORM** or go to MDA's [website](#).
4. **RECORDS:** Exhibit sponsors must maintain a report of the owner, premises location, and species of all animals attending the exhibition and provide this report to MDA if requested.
5. **EXEMPTIONS:** Exemptions of this regulation may be granted. (Refer to *COMAR 15.11.14.05*)

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EXHIBITORS OF ALL ANIMAL SPECIES

(COMAR 15.11.14.04-06)

- **Exhibitors** at state, county, and district fairs, along with other livestock exhibitions, expositions, rodeos, shows, and swap meets are required to comply with regulatory provisions of the State of Maryland relating to animal health as noted in COMAR 15.11.14.04-06.
- **Requirements apply to all livestock and poultry:** Livestock is defined as those species of animals used for human food or fiber or those species of animals used for



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service to humans. This includes but is not limited to cattle, bison, sheep, goats, swine, equine, New World camelids (llamas & alpacas), privately owned cervids, and rabbits. Livestock does not include dogs, cats, and exotic pets. Poultry is defined as any living domestic bird raised for food or other purposes including, but not limited to, chickens, turkeys, ostriches, emus, rheas, cassowaries, other ratites, waterfowl, and game birds. This includes hatching eggs.

1. **DOCUMENTATION:** Documentation is required for entry of all livestock and poultry and is described below. Examples of forms can be obtained by visiting our [website](#).
 - a. For out-of-state animals, see each species' specific out-of-state requirements. Upon request, a person who exhibits livestock or poultry shall present for inspection all reports, test results, and appropriate health certificates required to accompany their animal(s).

2. **CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION (CVI)**
 - a. **MARYLAND ENTRIES:** All Maryland livestock entries must be accompanied by a Maryland Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) for show. It is recommended for rabbits and poultry. Equines are required to have either a VCPR form or CVI (preferred).
 - i. A CVI is **valid for 60 days for Maryland fairs and shows**, providing that the status of the herd or animal(s) does not change.
 - ii. A CVI is a **legible record**, made on an official Maryland State form or via an approved electronic CVI platform. CVI's are issued by a licensed Maryland and USDA Category II accredited veterinarian for animals being shown within the state that meet the health requirements of the state of Maryland.
 - iii. The CVI **must be completed and signed by a licensed, accredited veterinarian (as described above)**. Each animal must be properly identified on the CVI. The veterinarian must select if this document is for fair and exhibition season, sale or other (with explanation).
 - iv. The veterinarian is required to send the original paper CVI (white and canary copies) to MDA Headquarters **within 7 days of completion**. The middle (pink transport copy) is to be retained by the owner and should accompany livestock during travel. The last (goldenrod copy) is for the veterinarian's records.
 - v. **Electronic CVI's from an approved platform are recommended. The owner can produce either a digital or printed copy.**
 - vi. Starting in 2026, there is a fee for paper CVI's (\$3/certificate). They will be distributed in packs of 25 (\$75/pack) with a shipping fee of \$25. We will **NOT** be printing more CVI's, therefore, once our inventory is out, you will be required to use an electronic CVI.
 - vii. In 2027, paper CVI's will no longer be accepted.
 - b. **OUT-OF-STATE ENTRIES:** All out-of-state entries must be accompanied by an **Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection**, except poultry.
 - i. The Interstate CVI is **valid for no more than 30 days** from the date of inspection.
 - ii. An Interstate CVI must be **legible**, made on an official form of the state of origin, issued by a licensed, accredited veterinarian (both USDA and in



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the state or origin), and issued for animals being imported to this state within 30 days before the entry of the animals, which shows that the animals listed meet the health requirements of the state of Maryland. **If this CVI is completed via an approved electronic platform, the owner can produce either a digital or printed copy.**

- iii. In 2027, paper CVI's will no longer be accepted for any out-of-state entries.
3. **SELF-CERTIFICATION:** A completed **Self-Certification form** is required for all entries.
- a. Self-Certification forms **must be filled out within 24 hours prior to loading** and presented upon request to the designated representative. Owners can produce either a digital or printed copy.
 - i. A Self-Certification is an official Maryland document **signed by the owner/caretaker/transporter** stating that the animals presented for exhibition are not showing any signs of or having recent exposure to infectious or contagious diseases (within the last 21 days).
 - ii. Forms are species-specific for livestock, equine, poultry and rabbits. They are available on MDA's Animal Health [website](#).
4. **TEST REPORT FORMS:** Testing is required for some species, and if so, a test report form will be required unless otherwise documented on the CVI. See species-specific requirements for details of testing and test report requirements. Examples of test reports are shown below:
- a. Avian Influenza Test Report
 - b. Pullorum-Typhoid Test Report
 - c. Coggins Test Report (Equine Infectious Anemia)
 - d. Tuberculosis Test Report
 - e. HPAI Milk Test Report for LACTATING DAIRY cattle
5. **MARYLAND POULTRY PREMISES IDENTIFICATION:** All Maryland premises with poultry are required to be registered with MDA. The Poultry Premises number must be noted on the Test Report or other documentation of NPIP U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid and U.S. H5/ H7 Avian Influenza Clean or State H5/H7 Monitored status. To obtain a poultry premises number, please fill out the application available on our [website](#).
6. **ANIMAL REJECTION POLICY:** Animals may be rejected from an exhibition, either denied entry or removed from the exhibition, as described below:
- a. **FAILURE TO PROVIDE COMPLETED DOCUMENTATION IS GROUNDS FOR REJECTION.**
 - b. Suspicion of communicable disease is adequate grounds for rejection. **Confirmed diagnosis is not required** since timely removal of suspicious animals is required by law to protect the remaining animals.
 - c. Livestock with clinical signs of infectious or contagious diseases or external parasites are not permitted entry or allowed to remain at the exhibition. Clinical signs include, but are not limited to, active lesions of ringworm, sore mouth, sore nose, caseous lymphadenitis, mange, or multiple warts easily visible without close examination.



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- d. Exposed animals may be rejected if it is believed that there is a potentially serious communicable disease present. All animals originating with the suspect animal may be rejected. Vesicular diseases are of particular concern.
- e. All decisions are final.
- f. All parties involved will be notified of all rejections, including exhibit sponsors and supervisors.
- g. Animal rejections can be made by MDA Animal Health veterinarians or field inspectors, private veterinarians contracted by the show, Maryland Extension employees, or individuals designated by the fair or show as a 'responsible person.'



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SPECIES-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the general requirements above, specific requirements by species are shown for the following species:

- [CATTLE](#)
- [SWINE](#)
- [SHEEP](#)
- [GOATS](#)
- [HORSES, PONIES, MULES AND OTHER EQUIDAE](#)
- [POULTRY](#)
- [RABBITS](#)
- [CAMELIDS](#)
- [PETTING ZOOS AND COMMERCIAL ANIMAL EXHIBITS](#)



FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:
CATTLE

ALL CATTLE

IDENTIFICATION: INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION OF EACH ANIMAL SHALL BE A 15 DIGIT 840 ISO-COMPLIANT RFID EAR TAG.

RODEO CATTLE must have official individual ID that is recognized by the USDA (9 CFR Parts 71, 77, 78, and 86). Rodeo Cattle are NOT allowed to commingle with any other cattle at the exhibition.

SELF-CERTIFICATION: All cattle exhibitors are **required** to complete and produce (digital or printed) a Livestock Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health.

MARYLAND CATTLE

- **INFLUENZA A:** No testing requirements for Maryland cattle.
- **BRUCELLOSIS:** Maryland is a Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland cattle.
- **TUBERCULOSIS:** Maryland is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. A tuberculin test is not required for Maryland cattle.
- **IMMUNIZATION:** Bovine Respiratory Disease Complex vaccination is recommended for all cattle to include Bovine Respiratory Syncytial Virus, Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus, Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis and Parainfluenza. Leptospirosis vaccination is also recommended.

OUT-OF-STATE CATTLE

- **INFLUENZA A:**
 - a. For LACTATING DAIRY cattle:
 - i. Defined as a cow that is producing milk, regardless of the volume of milk that she is producing. This does not include dairy calves, pregnant heifers, or dairy cows that are 'dry' or no longer producing milk.
 - ii. A milk sample from all four quarters must be tested for Influenza A within 7 days of travel, and results must be recorded on the CVI. Failure to comply will result in denied entry. **A bulk tank sample will not be accepted.**
- **BRUCELLOSIS:**
 - a. Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State, Region or Zone
 - i. No brucellosis test required.
 - b. Non-Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State, Region or Zone
 - i. Official vaccinates under 24 months old with vaccination dates recorded on the Interstate CVI permitted, or
 - ii. Test negative within 30 days before entry.
- **TUBERCULOSIS:**
 - a. Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State, Region or Zone
 - i. No tuberculin test required.
 - b. Modified Accredited Advanced or lower Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
 - i. All cattle over 6 months of age shall comply with the following:



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1. Cattle must originate from a herd where a complete herd test was conducted within the past 12 months; progeny from such herds born since that test may be imported without a tuberculin test, or
 2. Any individual animal, over 6 months of age, entering Maryland must have a negative tuberculin test within 60 days before import.
- ii. Status of herd and area must be shown on their certificate.
- **IMMUNIZATION:** Bovine Respiratory Disease Complex vaccination is recommended for all out of state cattle to include Bovine Respiratory Syncytial Virus, Bovine Viral Diarrhea Virus, Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis and Parainfluenza. Leptospirosis vaccination is also recommended.



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FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:
SWINE

ALL SWINE

IDENTIFICATION: INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION OF EACH ANIMAL SHALL BE AN RFID OFFICIAL EAR TAG.

SELF-CERTIFICATION: All swine exhibitors are **required** to complete and produce (digital or printed) a Livestock Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health.

MARYLAND SWINE

- **BRUCELLOSIS:** Maryland is a Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland swine.
- **PSEUDORABIES:** Maryland is a Pseudorabies Stage V state. Pseudorabies testing is not required for Maryland swine.
- **Immunization:** Leptospirosis vaccination is recommended.

OUT-OF-STATE SWINE

- **BRUCELLOSIS:** All swine, except barrows, 6 months of age and older shall be negative on an official test for brucellosis within 30 days prior to exhibition entry, or originate directly from a validated brucellosis-free herd or brucellosis-free state.
- **PSEUDORABIES:** Swine over 6 months of age shall be negative on an official test for pseudorabies conducted within 30 days prior to exhibition entry, or originate immediately and directly from a Qualified Pseudorabies Negative herd or Stage 4 or Stage 5 Pseudorabies-Free State.
- **IMMUNIZATION:** Leptospirosis vaccination is recommended.

All U.S. states are currently swine brucellosis free and pseudorabies free. This is the current status as of the effective date on this document. It is the exhibitors responsibility to regularly check each state's status for any changes.



FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:
SHEEP AND GOATS

ALL SHEEP AND GOATS

IDENTIFICATION: ALL SHEEP AND GOATS MUST BE OFFICIALLY SCRAPIE-IDENTIFIED. OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION FOR SHEEP INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:

1. USDA-approved Scrapie ear tags;
2. Legible registration tattoos, for which the breed registration paper shall contain the registry premises or flock tattoo prefix that is linked to the APHIS-assigned PIN and flock ID number of the flock of birth, if breed registry is approved by APHIS; or
3. Legible tattoos consisting of an individual animal number unique within the flock in one ear and the official Scrapie premises identification number (flock ID) in the other ear, except where the tail web or flank may be used for earless animals or animals with damaged ears; must be accompanied by an owner statement.
4. A ISO-compliant 15-digit microchip with official Scrapie identification is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.
5. USDA approved RFID tag.
6. **NOTE: All animals bearing identification with blue colored scrapie program tags labelled "meat" with a US shield are not permitted to be exhibited in Maryland**

SELF-CERTIFICATION: All sheep and goat exhibitors are **required** to complete and produce (digital or printed) a Livestock Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health.

Further clarification on the Federal Scrapie Program can be found at:

<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/sheep-and-goat-health/national-scrapie-eradication-program/>

MARYLAND SHEEP

- No additional requirements

OUT-OF-STATE SHEEP

- No additional requirements

MARKET LAMBS

- It is recommended that all lambs be slick shorn prior to entry for inspection for Club Lamb Fungus (sheep ringworm).

MARYLAND GOATS

- **BRUCELLOSIS:** Maryland is a Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland goats.
- **TUBERCULOSIS:** Maryland is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Maryland goats.

OUT-OF-STATE GOATS

- **BRUCELLOSIS:**
 - There are no out of state requirements for brucellosis testing in goats.



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● **TUBERCULOSIS:**

- Accredited Tuberculosis-Free States, Region or Zone: A tuberculin test is not required.
- Modified Accredited Advanced or lower Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
 - All goats over 6 months of age shall comply with the following:
 - Goats must originate from herds in which all animals are tested negative within the past 12 months; progeny from such herds born since that test, may be imported without a tuberculin test, or
 - Any individual animal entering Maryland must have a negative tuberculin test within 60 days before import.
 - Status of herd and area must be shown on their certificate.



**FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:
HORSES, PONIES, MULES, AND OTHER EQUIDAE**

ALL EQUINE

- **IDENTIFICATION:** Individual official identification shall include the following as applicable: Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) test report with photo or drawing of the animal, tattoo, brand, or microchip. Animals using tattoos or brands for official identification must be accompanied by the breed registration papers.
- **EQUINE INFECTIOUS ANEMIA (COGGINS) TESTING:** All equine for exhibition shall be accompanied by a valid Coggins Test done within 12 months prior to **the opening date of the exhibition.**
- **SELF-CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT AND EXEMPTION:** An Equine Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health is required for each equine entering a fair/show-type event where multiple livestock species are present. The form must be available for inspection if requested (digital or printed). Those participating in equine-only shows and events are exempt from this requirement; however, it is good practice to thoroughly double check the health and skin condition of the animal before departing for the event. The form provides an easy checklist to do this. Exhibitors may not bring an animal having apparent or known signs of a contagious or infectious disease to a show.
- During disease outbreaks, these requirements may change - please check our [website](#) for the most up-to-date requirements or call us at 410.841.5810 for more information.

MARYLAND EQUINE

- **VETERINARY-CLIENT-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP (VCPR): ALL** equines must have verification of a veterinary-client-patient relationship (VCPR). This can be either a current CVI or EECVI (recommended), however, a completed VCPR form is acceptable. This form is available on our [website](#).

OUT-OF-STATE EQUINE

- All horses and other equidae must be accompanied by a CVI issued within 30 days prior to entry. An Interstate CVI must be legible, on an official form from the state of origin, issued by a licensed, accredited veterinarian, and issued for animals being imported to this state within 30 days before the entry of the animals, which shows that the animals listed meet the health requirements of the state of Maryland.



FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:
POULTRY

ALL POULTRY

1. PRIVATE SALES WILL BE ALLOWED WITH PROPER DOCUMENTATION OF THE SALE BY THE EXHIBITION SPONSOR AND MAINTAINED FOR ONE YEAR.
2. **IDENTIFICATION: ALL POULTRY** entering an exhibition must be identified with a numbered leg or wing band.
3. **AI TESTING:** Owners are **required** to produce a copy of the test results (digital or printed).
4. All poultry exhibitors are **required** to complete and produce (digital or printed) a Poultry Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health and Biosecurity Statement.
5. **DOCUMENTATION** must be provided on MDA-E06 and MDA-E20, VS Form 9-2, VS Form 9-3 or comparable form approved by the State Veterinarian.

MARYLAND POULTRY

1. **PREMISES REGISTRATION:** All poultry exhibitors originating from Maryland must have valid proof of a registered Maryland Poultry Premises ID Number or Federal Premises ID Number, included on test paperwork.
2. **AVIAN INFLUENZA (AI) TESTING REQUIREMENTS:** All poultry, including wild birds except pigeons and doves, shown at public exhibitions in the state shall meet the following AI testing requirement:
 - a. Have a negative avian influenza test conducted on a representative sample of **10 BIRDS PER PREMISES** within 21 days prior to the event start date.
 - b. If there are less than 10 birds, then all birds must be tested.
3. **SALMONELLA PULLORUM-TYPHOID TESTING REQUIREMENTS:** All poultry, 4 months of age or older, except waterfowl, wild birds, pigeons and doves, shown at public exhibitions in the state shall meet one or more of the following requirements:
 - a. Originate directly from an NPIP U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flock as defined in Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations (and there was no break in the chain of ownership by NPIP participants), OR
 - i. "Flock" is defined as "all of the poultry on one premises, except any group of poultry that has been segregated for 21 days may be considered a separate flock." (COMAR 15.11.11.02) **This pertains to PT testing only.**
 - b. Have a negative official test for Salmonella Pullorum-Typhoid within 90 days before fair, exhibition, exposition, or show and remain segregated from all poultry of unknown or positive Salmonella Pullorum-Typhoid test status.
 - i. Segregation is defined as no direct contact between poultry. For biosecurity purposes, it is advised to care for the tested flock before interacting with any untested poultry on site.

OUT-OF-STATE POULTRY

1. **AVIAN INFLUENZA (AI) TESTING REQUIREMENTS:** All poultry, including wild birds except pigeons and doves, shown at public exhibitions in the state shall meet the following AI testing requirements:
 - a. Have a negative avian influenza test conducted on a representative sample of **ALL BIRDS IN THE FLOCK** within 14 days prior to the opening date of the event.



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- b. If there are greater than 30 birds in the flock, only 30 birds need to be tested.
2. **SALMONELLA PULLORUM-TYPHOID TESTING REQUIREMENTS:** All poultry, 4 months of age or older, except waterfowl, wild birds, pigeons and doves shown at public exhibitions in the state shall meet one or more of the following requirements:
 - a. Originate directly from a U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flock as defined in Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations (and there was no break in the chain of ownership by NPIP participants), OR
 - i. "Flock" is defined as "all of the poultry on one premises, except any group of poultry that has been segregated for 21 days may be considered a separate flock." (COMAR 15.11.11.02) **This pertains to PT testing only.**
 - b. Have a negative official test for Salmonella Pullorum-Typhoid within 90 days before fair, exhibition, exposition, or show and remain segregated from all poultry of unknown or positive Salmonella Pullorum-Typhoid test status.
 - i. Segregation is defined as no direct contact between poultry. For biosecurity purposes, it is advised to care for the tested flock before interacting with any untested poultry on site.

POULTRY BARN

MDA's Animal Health Program is implementing the following biosecurity measures for **ALL** poultry exhibitions:

1. The Poultry Barn must have clearly designated entrances, exits, and as much as possible, a one-way viewing path for the public.
2. Biosecurity protocols must be in place, including handwashing or hand sanitizing stations. Footbaths/mats are recommended.
3. Each person who enters the Poultry Barn **MUST**:
 - a. NOT be allowed to touch or handle the birds (unless it is their own personal bird and even then we recommend limiting handling).
 - b. USE hand sanitizer or wash hands upon entering and exiting the barn.
 - c. It is recommended to DISINFECT footwear before entering and upon exit of the barn. This can be a powder disinfectant or liquid footbath/mat.
4. All visitors to the poultry barn **MUST** follow the above biosecurity guidelines!
5. The fair staff should disinfect the barn walkways in the morning and evening, and if possible, especially on busy days, in the afternoon.
6. Only bird owners or their designated representatives are permitted to handle birds on-site.
7. Those handling birds must wear dedicated footwear that is disinfected after each interaction with birds and must remain on the event grounds for the duration of the event. After the fair, this footwear must be disinfected before returning home to prevent potential disease spread.
8. Signs should be clearly placed around the barn to advise visitors against touching birds.
9. Infographics and information about Avian Influenza should be placed around the barn to provide education for the visitors. Such information can be provided by MDA upon request.



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FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:
RABBITS

ALL RABBITS

1. **IDENTIFICATION:** Individual identification of each animal shall be a tag, legible and healed tattoo, or microchip, if the exhibitor provides the reader.
2. All rabbit exhibitors are **required** to complete and produce (digital or printed) a Rabbit Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health.
3. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**
 - a. It is strongly recommended that all rabbits have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI).
 - b. Vaccination against Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease (RHDV-2) is recommended.
 - i. Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease is of particular concern, and clinical signs include bleeding from eyes, nose, mouth, or have bloody stools.
4. While on exhibit or at any time following the exhibition, exhibitors and exhibition managers are obligated to report all mass mortality events and all rabbits who show signs of a dangerous transmissible disease to MDA at 410.841.5810.

RABBIT BARN RECOMMENDATIONS AND REFERENCE TO FEDERAL CODE:

- Due to potential high heat and humidity conditions during our exhibition season it is important to maintain proper temperatures and ventilation so animals are not subject to uncomfortable conditions.
 - Since most rabbits do not tolerate temperatures exceeding 85°F, it is recommended that fans, misters, and cold packs in cages be allowed to help the rabbits cope with high temperatures.
 - Ventilation during extreme heat is essential to help with air quality, therefore, cage fans (small, rechargeable/battery-powered stroller fans are ideal) are encouraged to provide airflow for the animals.
 - Clip-on rechargeable fans are readily available online.
 - Note: We do not encourage or promote any one particular brand of fan.
 - Rabbits will also need to be sheltered from the elements so it is encouraged to have all areas of the barn shaded or out of direct sunlight to avoid overheating of the animals.
- Summary of Federal Code relating to Animal Welfare states the following for Facilities and Operating Standards for Rabbits (9 CFR Part 3 Subpart C 3.51 and 3.52):
 - Indoor housing facilities for rabbits shall be adequately ventilated. Such facilities shall be provided with fresh air either by means of windows, doors, vents, or air conditioning and shall be ventilated so as to minimize drafts, odors, and moisture condensation. Auxiliary ventilation, such as exhaust fans and vents or air conditioning, shall be provided when the ambient temperature is 85°F or higher.
 - Primary enclosures shall be so placed as to protect the rabbits from excessive sunlight.
 - When sunlight is likely to cause overheating or discomfort, sufficient shade shall be provided to allow all rabbits to protect themselves from the direct rays of the sun. When the atmospheric temperature exceeds 90°F, artificial cooling shall be provided.



FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:
CAMELIDS

ALL CAMELIDS

IDENTIFICATION: Individual identification of each animal shall be an official metal ear tag or microchip, if the exhibitor provides the reader.

SELF-CERTIFICATION: All camelid exhibitors are **required** to complete and produce (digital or printed) a Livestock Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health.

MARYLAND CAMELIDS

- **BRUCELLOSIS:** Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland camelids.
- **TUBERCULOSIS:** Tuberculin test is not required for Maryland camelids.

OUT-OF-STATE CAMELIDS

- **BRUCELLOSIS:** Brucellosis testing is not required for out-of-state camelids.
- **TUBERCULOSIS:**
 1. Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State, Region or Zone
 - a. No tuberculin test required.
 2. Modified Accredited Advanced or lower Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
 - a. All camelids over 6 months of age shall comply with the following:
 - i. Camelids must originate from a herd not under restriction or quarantine for tuberculosis and from which a complete herd test was conducted within the past 12 months; progeny from such herds born since that test may be imported without a tuberculin test, or
 - ii. Any individual animal, over 6 months of age, entering Maryland must have a negative tuberculin test within 60 days before import.
 - b. Status of herd and area must be shown on their certificate.



FAIR AND SHOW REQUIREMENTS:
PETTING ZOOS AND COMMERCIAL ANIMAL EXHIBITS

DEFINITIONS:

- **PETTING ZOO:** An exhibition where the public is encouraged to touch/interact with any livestock or other animals. This can include but is not limited to pony rides and fair and show petting zoos.
- **COMMERCIAL ANIMAL EXHIBIT:** A public display of animals for profit, which can include goat yoga, cow cuddling, piglet snuggling, etc. These exhibits are subject to regulations, such as those under the Animal Welfare Act, which mandate minimum standards of care for animals that are exhibited. Exhibitors must have a valid Commercial Animal Exhibit Registration through the Maryland Department of Agriculture. Details can be found on MDA's [website](#).

PETTING ZOOS, COMMERCIAL ANIMAL EXHIBITS, AND PONY RIDES:

- **MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING:**
 - **CVI** - including **Rabies** vaccination status
 - Certain exemptions may apply (see below)
 - **SELF CERTIFICATION DOCUMENTS (completed and produced either digitally or printed)**
 - The requirements for each species is the same for fairs and shows (see previous sections)

GENERAL EXHIBITION REQUIREMENTS (COMAR 15.11.14.01):

- Applies to **ALL** animals in a petting zoo
 - Rabies Vaccination:
 - A person may not show livestock at any petting zoo unless all exhibited animals in the petting zoo, 12 weeks or older, are vaccinated against rabies as provided in *COMAR 10.06.02* (Communicable Diseases - Rabies), unless there is no rabies vaccine licensed and approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture for that animal species.
 - Approved Species – cattle, sheep, horses, dogs, cats and ferrets
 - MDA does not require off-label use of the rabies vaccine
 - Fairs and shows have authority to set their own requirements above and beyond state requirements
 - Documentation:
 - **CVI** - Issued within 60 days of the exhibition
 - **Rabies** - Proof of adequate rabies vaccination on all required species shall be documented by the veterinarian administering the vaccine. This can be noted on the CVI or written on an approved rabies certificate that is issued by the veterinarian. Proof of vaccination should be presented at the time of entry with the CVI and Self Certification.
 - **Self Certification Form** - species specific



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COMMERCIAL ANIMAL EXHIBITS:

- Exemption of the 60 day CVI
 - On farm, non-traveling exhibits are not required to have a CVI when they possess a valid commercial animal exhibit registration **BUT** are required to have a rabies vaccine for the animals interacting with people.

BIOSECURITY RECOMMENDATIONS:

Biosecurity is a concern when allowing the public to interact with animals on the farm. The introduction of disease to your animals from an outside source could have devastating consequences for not only the animals but also for your business. Typically, in an agritourism petting zoo setting or commercial animal exhibit, you will not know whether visitors have been in contact with other farm animals before coming to your farm. Implementing appropriate biosecurity practices will aid in protecting your animals, visitors, and your business. MDA's Animal Health Program recommends the following biosecurity best practices for ALL petting zoos and commercial animal exhibits:

- Communicating rules with visitors
- Displaying clear signage
- Parking visitor vehicles away from animals
- Insisting on clean footwear and clothing
- Establishing controlled entry
- Using gates to limit access
- Requiring parental supervision
- Providing handwashing/sanitizing stations and foot baths

The 2026 MDA Fair and Show Requirements were approved by the State Veterinarian and finalized on the date below.



Jennifer Trout, DVM
State Veterinarian

February 1, 2026

Date





University of Maryland Extension (UME) 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics

4-H members enrolled in animal science projects (e.g., beef, camelids, cat, cavy, dairy, dog, goat, horse, poultry, rabbit, sheep, small pet, and swine) shall, at all times, conduct themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship, including while with their projects and at all 4-H animal science activities and events. Their conduct should always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of 4-H and its animal science program. 4-H members, as well as parents, UME volunteers and others working with them, are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts; and their conduct and values must serve as a positive influence on others.

This Code of Ethics applies to all 4-H members who are enrolled in animal science projects, and to others (4-Hers, parents, volunteers, owners, etc.) who participate in the animal science program; and it covers daily animal care, as well as participation in 4-H competitions and other 4-H animal activities and events, and other animal activities and events where the youth participates as a 4-H member.

4-H members and others who violate this Code of Ethics demean the integrity of 4-H and its animal science program. 4-H members who violate the code of animal science ethics are subject to sanctions including, but not limited to, forfeiture of premiums, awards, and/or auction proceeds and may be prohibited from participation in 4-H or 4-H/UME events or activities; other violators may also be subject to sanction, as appropriate. Infractions may be reviewed by 4-H and/or UME (on the local or state level, as appropriate to the infraction and to the event and/or activity in question), and/or may be subject to a fair oversight committee or other entity that oversees an activity or event. In addition, some acts may also be subject to review based upon the Maryland 4-H Youth Code of Conduct and/or other UME policies.

The following is a list of standards and requirements for all 4-H animal science projects, at all times, whether at home, at animal exhibitions or events, or any other 4-H event or activity.

1. The care of all 4-H project animals is the responsibility of the 4-H member. 4-H members must properly care for and groom their animals for the duration of their project. 4-H members are encouraged to establish/maintain a veterinarian-client-patient relationship.
2. All project animals must be housed at the 4-H member's residence unless a different location is submitted to and approved in writing by the local 4-H staff. Any change in location must be approved in writing by the local 4-H staff; however, it is not necessary to report direct transport to and from shows or other events.
3. Upon request of 4-H, UME, or other program, fair, event or animal officials, 4-H members must present proof of ownership, length of ownership, identity and/or age of all 4-H project animals owned or leased. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or identity of animals, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited. If a 4-H project animal is sold in a livestock sale, it is no longer eligible to be shown in a 4-H event in Maryland in that year.
4. 4-H members must provide appropriate animal health certificates (Certificate of Veterinary Inspection) upon request of 4-H, UME, or other program, fair, event or animal officials. All exhibitors/parents or guardians must inspect their animal(s) for signs of contagious or infectious disease before coming to a show in the state of Maryland. The Maryland Department of Agriculture "Self-Certification of Animal Health" must be completed prior to loading animals for exhibition.
5. 4-H project animals must be presented to competition, activities and/or events, where they will enter the food chain, free of volatile drug residues.
6. Animals which are presented to competition, events and/or activities that do not culminate with the animal entering the food chain, shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and rules.
7. 4-H project animals shall not be exhibited if drugs administered in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations and rules may affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.
8. At any time after an animal arrives on a fair or other 4-H activity or event premises, a licensed veterinarian must administer or, in consultation with fair, event, UME, or 4-H officials, direct the administration of any treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications. Drenching at any time after an animal arrives on a fair or other 4-H activity or event premises is prohibited, except when performed or directed by a licensed veterinarian in consultation with fair, event, UME, or 4-H officials for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal.



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9. The act of enrolling in a 4-H animal science project, and/or entering a project animal in a 4-H competition, show, activity, or other event, gives consent for 4-H or UME or event authorities to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, hair, tissue, or other substance from the animal to be used for testing purposes including, but not limited to, drugs or identification. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood or other substance tested by the approved laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved, and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the 4-H owner to prove otherwise at any review in regard to the matter conducted by a fair or other event or the 4-H program. If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, hair, tissue or other sample, taken from a 4-H animal science project, indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally.

10. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counter irritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, conformation, 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.

11. Using ice, ice packs, cold packs, or cold compresses, internally or externally, other than those prescribed to relieve heat stress or a medical condition as diagnosed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

12. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices, such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical devices, or other similar practices, are not acceptable and are prohibited.

13. All judges, fair and event officials and/or UME/4-H staff and volunteers shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation, and respect, and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them or toward exhibitors or others participating in the activity. In addition, direct criticism or interference with a judge, fair, show or event official, exhibitor, breed representative, or UME/4-H staff or volunteer before, during, or after an event or other activity is prohibited.

14. No one shall violate this Code of Animal Science Ethics or 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.

15. The application of this Code of Ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition to the 4-H member whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this Code of Ethics.

16. By enrolling in an animal science project and/or entering an animal in a fair or other 4-H event or activity, the 4-H member, and his/her parent or guardian, consent to have disciplinary action taken by appropriate authorities (including UME, 4-H, fair, event and/or other activity officials) for violation of this Code of Animal Science Ethics and/or any other applicable rules of UME, 4-H, a fair, activity or other event, without recourse against UME, 4-H and/or other authorities. In addition, the 4-H member, and his/her parent or guardian, further understand and agree that any action which contravenes these rules, and is also in violation of federal, state, or local laws, statutes, regulations, or rules, may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

Note: By signing this form, the 4-H member and his/her parent or guardian each verify that they have read and understand the **UME 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics** and the consequences of and penalties provided for violations of the Code.

4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE PROJECT ENROLLMENT STATEMENT

I have read and understand the UME 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics, and I consent and agree to abide by the UME 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics. I understand this Statement must be signed by both the 4-H member and his/her parent or guardian, will be kept on file in the local 4-H office, and will apply to all 4-H animal science activities and events. I understand that if I do not agree to or sign this Code, I/my 4-H youth may not be eligible to enroll in a 4-H animal science project, may not receive associated materials, and/or may not be allowed exhibit or participate in covered activities.

4-H Member Signature	Date	Parent or Guardian of the 4-H Member Signature	Date
Printed Name of 4-H Member	Date	Printed Name of Parent or Guardian	Date

This Code of Ethics has been adapted from the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics; LMH: JWS; JWL 2001; JWL 2002; JWL 2007; CWA, Reviewed by DA 3/2009; CWA 11/2009; CWA, Reviewed by CP 12/2017; CWA, Reviewed by JWH 11/2025

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Maryland 4-H Youth Code of Conduct

A goal of the Maryland 4-H Program is to provide opportunities for children and youth to build character. Maryland 4-H supports the CHARACTER COUNTSSM six pillars of character: **TRUSTWORTHINESS, RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, FAIRNESS, CARING, AND CITIZENSHIP**. In order to ensure Maryland 4-H programs provide positive environments for all individuals to learn and grow, 4-H participants agree to abide by these expectations of behavior:

- ☘ I will be **TRUSTWORTHY**. I will be worthy of trust, honor, and confidence. I will be a model of integrity by doing the right thing even when the cost is high. I will be honest in all my activities, and I will not cheat, lie, knowingly give false information, or be dishonest in any other way. I will follow through on commitments I make and responsibilities I accept. I will not engage in illegal or unethical behavior.
- ☘ I will be **RESPECTFUL**. I will show respect, courtesy, and consideration to everyone, including other program participants, those in authority, and myself. I will act and speak respectfully. I will not use vulgar or abusive language or cause physical, mental, or emotional harm. I will dress in a manner that is appropriate, tasteful, and respectful for youth. I will take care of property and facilities and will not intentionally cause harm or damage. I will appreciate diversity in skill, ability, gender, ethnicity, family, and personal beliefs. I understand that Maryland 4-H does not tolerate statements or acts of discrimination or prejudice.
- ☘ I will be **RESPONSIBLE**. I will be responsible, accountable, and self-disciplined in the pursuit of excellence. I will live up to high expectations so I can be proud of my work and conduct. I accept my personal responsibility to be informed of and follow policies, rules, and procedures of Maryland 4-H and 4-H events or activities in which I participate. I will be accountable for my choices and actions and I will take responsibility for any mistakes or misconduct in which I participate.
- ☘ I will be **FAIR**. I will be just, fair, and open-minded. I will participate in events by following the rules, not taking advantage of others, and not asking for special exception or consideration. I will demonstrate good sportsmanship and will accept the final outcome of events and contests.
- ☘ I will be **CARING**. I will be caring in my relationships with others. I will be kind and show compassion for other people and living things. I will treat others the way I want to be treated. I will show appreciation for the efforts of others. I will help members of my group to have a good experience by striving to include everyone.
- ☘ I will be a **GOOD CITIZEN**. I will be a contributing and law-abiding member of the organization, community, and society. I will not use illegal or illicit substances such as tobacco, alcohol, or drugs. I will not act in a manner that is threatening, harassing, demeaning, or violent toward others, and I will not use technology or media to promote such actions. I will be respectful to the environment and contribute to the greater good. I will promote a spirit of inclusion by welcoming individuals from all backgrounds in my club and community. I will positively represent Maryland 4-H by holding myself to the standards of the 4-H Pledge and Motto.

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Maryland 4-H Youth Code of Conduct Agreement

Youth Code of Conduct:

Maryland 4-H expects youth participating in programs to behave in an acceptable manner and in accordance with the Maryland 4-H Code of Conduct outlined on the reverse of this document. 4-H participants who engage in unacceptable conduct are subject to discipline. Youth behaviors that are unacceptable under the Code of Conduct include, but are not limited to:

- Possession, use, or distribution of alcohol and/or illegal or illicit drugs
- Possession or use of weapons or dangerous materials
- Possession or use of tobacco products, including smokeless tobacco, e-cigarettes, smokeless "vaping" devices, and/or other nicotine delivery devices.
- Misuse of prescription or non-prescription drugs or substances
- Sexual activity
- Lying, cheating, misrepresenting project work, or other unethical practices
- Unauthorized absence from program site
- Physical, verbal, emotional, or mental abuse of, or threats toward, another person
- Theft, destruction, or abuse of property
- Use of electronic devices and/or social media to bully, demean, harass, or threaten another person
- Use of technology to create, transmit, post, or willingly receive unacceptable content such as that containing profanity, advocacy of use/possession of alcohol or drugs, violence, sexual misconduct, nudity, etc

Maryland 4-H Disciplinary Policy and Procedures:

Youth associated with or participating in Maryland 4-H are expected to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the standards of integrity, sportsmanship, and responsibility associated with the 4-H Youth Development program. Youth who fail to observe these standards may be dismissed or removed from 4-H activities, events, or programs, and may be subject to sanctions or disciplinary action up to and including termination of membership. Incidents or issues that may subject a youth to disciplinary action will be managed as follows:

1. The local 4-H Educator will notify the youth and parent/guardian in writing of the nature of the unacceptable conduct, the potential consequences, and the process that will take place.
2. The youth will be offered the opportunity to present their view or explanation by participating in an in-person meeting, presenting a written statement, or both. The youth's parent/guardian will be present for any in-person communication. Written communication must be presented by the youth, with assistance from a parent/guardian as appropriate.
3. The 4-H Educator, in consultation with the local A/CED, will consider all presented matters and determine the appropriate resolution. The youth will be notified in writing of the 4-H Educator's decision and any sanction(s) to be imposed.
4. If the youth wishes to appeal the 4-H Educator's decision, they may do so in one of two ways:
 - a. The youth may request a Review Committee to evaluate the 4-H Educator's decision and make recommendations to the State 4-H Program Leader.
 - b. The youth may appeal directly to the State 4-H Program Leader.
The youth's request for appeal must be made in writing.
5. The State 4-H Program Leader will review the appeal and notify the youth of his/her decision in writing. The State 4-H Program Leader's decision is final.

The Maryland 4-H Disciplinary Policy may be viewed in full on the Maryland 4-H Website.

BEHAVIOR PLEDGE

I have read the Maryland 4-H Code of Conduct and the Maryland 4-H Disciplinary Policy and Procedures. I am aware that my actions and decisions affect me and others and that poor actions or decisions may result in my loss of privileges for current and future 4-H programs. I will accept the appropriate and logical consequences of my actions, as determined by Maryland 4-H.

4-Her's Printed Name

4-Her's Signature

Date

As the parent/guardian of _____, I have read the Maryland 4-H Code of Conduct and the Maryland 4-H Disciplinary Policy and Procedures. I will support and uphold these principles, and will model positive behavior for my child and other 4-H youth and families. I will support the individual in charge of maintaining appropriate behavior at 4-H programs, events, and activities. I agree to accept the appropriate and logical consequences of my child's actions as determined by Maryland 4-H and the University of Maryland Extension.

Parent/Guardian's Printed Name

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

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Disclosure Statement: All FFA participants are expected to follow all 4-H rules and regulations. If they do not abide by the rules and regulations, FFA members will be disqualified.

FFA Code of Conduct

Responsibilities of Members

For a chapter to operate effectively, each member must play an active role. FFA is truly an organization of, by and for its members. Members decide and direct the activities of their own chapter. They hold positions of leadership and conduct all activities. The success or failure of chapter activities and programs rests with the membership. Each member is charged with the responsibility of upholding the ideals and principles of the organization, as well as participating in all chapter activities. Both protecting members from abuse and reporting known instances of abuse are responsibilities of members. It is also the responsibility of all members to refrain from actions constituting harassment and bullying as defined in the FFA Code of Behavior.

FFA Code of Ethics

FFA members conduct themselves at all times to be a credit to their organization, chapter, school, community and family. As an FFA member, I pledge to:

1. Develop my potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success.
2. Make a positive difference in the lives of others.
3. Dress neatly and appropriately for the occasion.
4. Respect the rights of others and their property.
5. Be courteous, honest and fair with others.
6. Communicate in an appropriate, purposeful and positive manner.
7. Demonstrate good sportsmanship by being modest in winning and generous in defeat.
8. Make myself aware of FFA programs and activities and be an active participant.
9. Conduct and value a supervised agricultural experience program.
10. Strive to establish and enhance my skills through agricultural education in order to enter a successful career.
11. Appreciate and promote diversity in our organization.

Adopted by the delegates at the 1952 National FFA Convention. The Code of Ethics was revised by the delegates at the 1995 National FFA Convention.

FFA Value Statements

The FFA Value Statements, passed by the national delegates at the 94th National FFA Convention and ratified by the National FFA Board of Directors, promote a more inclusive, equitable organization for all FFA members. These four statements create a foundation to ensure we open doors and remove barriers for every individual in agricultural education to experience premier leadership, personal growth and career success through FFA.

1. We respect and embrace every individual's culture and experiences.
2. We welcome every individual's contribution to advance our communities and the industry of agriculture.
3. We cultivate an environment that allows every individual to recognize and explore their differences.
4. We create leadership opportunities for every individual to enhance their personal and professional endeavors.



FFA Code of Behavior

- I promise that my attitude, conduct and appearance will be such to reflect credit on my local chapter, state FFA association and the National FFA Organization.
- I promise to abide by the National FFA Code of Ethics and FFA Values Statements.
- FFA members and participants assigned to hotel rooms: I will stay in the hotel room I am assigned during the time period of the event and not participate in any inappropriate conduct during the event and/or as a representative of FFA.
- I will not possess or use drugs, alcohol or tobacco at any time during an event and/or as a representative of FFA. This includes but is not limited to smoking cigarettes, e-cigarettes, chewing tobacco, vaping and other substances.
- I will not have in my possession any firearms, knives, dangerous weapons, explosive compound or an object that can reasonably be considered and/or used as a weapon.
- I will not engage in bullying, which includes hazing; menacing; taunting; intimidating; the use of lewd, profane or vulgar language; verbal or physical abuse of others; or other threatening behavior toward others in person or through acts of cyberbullying including but not limited to all social media platforms.
- I will not engage in any behavior that might be deemed sexual harassment. Behaviors constituting sexual harassment include sexual teasing, bullying, making propositions, sexual jokes, indecent or vulgar remarks, staring that causes humiliation or discomfort and posting sexually oriented pictures, cartoons, or other visual materials that are viewed as offensive. Perception is an important factor: Whether certain behavior constitutes sexual harassment depends on the perceptions of those affected and the impact of the behavior. It is the responsibility of all members to refrain from actions constituting harassment and bullying and to help protect others from these types of acts.
- I will at all times respect all public and private property, including but not limited to all event venues and the lodging accommodations in which I am housed.
- I will pay for all personal costs and any damage of public or private property, event venues and the lodging accommodations before I depart. My sleeping room will be kept neat and clean.
- I acknowledge that failure to abide by any of these rules could result in immediate dismissal (travel costs incurred will be at my own expense) from the event, and my advisor, state staff and parent(s)/ guardians(s) will be notified.

All event participants are expected to obey all local, state and federal laws. Participants shall abstain from abusive, disruptive or inappropriate behavior before, during or after the event in all forms, including in-person, via digital or social media and any other form of communication.

The National FFA Organization may act in its discretion to address any attendee(s), group(s) or participant(s) it believes fail to uphold the criteria of the FFA Code of Ethics or Code of Conduct, including but not limited to revoking event access without refund or reduction of any fees paid or payable, removal from participation in awards and recognition programs, and revocation of awards and recognition earned.



INDOOR DEPARTMENTS

Superintendents Choice Award

Proposed Premium: \$3.00

The purpose of this award is to recognize our 4-H'ers who are striving to "make the best better" as they "learn by doing" in preparing their fair exhibits. All youth who enter an exhibit in any of the indoor departments is automatically entered and eligible for this award.

SPECIFIC RULES:

- Each indoor superintendent will have the sole discretion in the selection of this award.
- Champions, reserve champions, and any other special awards are not eligible to receive this award.
- One junior, one intermediate, and one senior exhibitor in each indoor department will be selected to receive this award.
- All entries are eligible except for club entries.



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Department 0: T-Shirt – Free & Retail

Superintendent	Contact Information
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Jamie Frank	410-215-3525

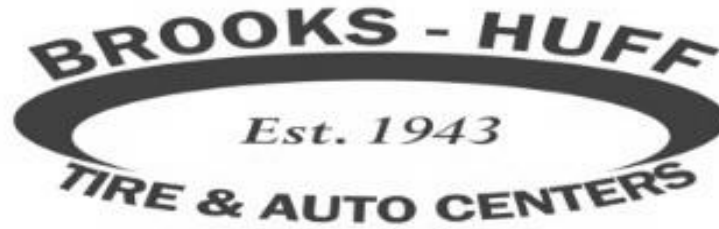
Criteria:

- Each 4-H/FFA Youth that exhibits or participates in a competition at the Fair is eligible for a free 4-H Fair T-Shirt.
- Additional T-Shirts can be purchased for retail pricing.
- Payment for retail shirts ordered online must be mailed to the Baltimore County 4-H Fair Inc. Attention: Registration, P.O. Box 1008, Sparks, MD 21152. Checks are made payable to Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association. Shirts ordered online can be paid for at the same time as exhibitor fees.

SEE MEASUREMENT REQUIREMENTS BELOW BEFORE YOU ORDER

SECTION A – FREE 4-H FAIR T-SHIRT FOR 4-H YOUTH		SECTION B – RETAIL 4-H FAIR T-SHIRT			
1	Child Small – Free	9	Child Small – Retail \$15.00	17	Adult 3XL – Retail \$20.00
2	Child Medium – Free	10	Child Medium – Retail \$15.00	18	Adult 4XL – Retail \$20.00
3	Child Large – Free	11	Child Large – Retail \$15.00	19	Adult 5XL – Retail \$20.00
4	Adult Small – Free	12	Adult Small – Retail \$15.00		
5	Adult Medium – Free	13	Adult Medium – Retail \$15.00		
6	Adult Large – Free	14	Adult Large – Retail \$15.00		
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Department 1: Adult Classes

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

Specific questions about the classes listed below should be directed to the department superintendent assigned to the class. For example, if the department superintendent of clothing department is Cathy Fancy-Pants then please contact Ms. Fancy-Pants for any questions regarding the adult class entry for the clothing class.

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. All exhibitors must meet the rules and regulations in the department of the item they are entering.
2. Exhibitors must be age 19 or over as of January 1st of the current year.
3. An adult may enter one item in each class except Ag Commodities and Photography.
4. Classes will be judged Gold, Silver, and Bronze, then 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th.
5. Judge may divide the class if warranted.
6. Placing ribbons will be given in each class.

Class	Section	Class Description
1101	Ag Commodity	An exhibit of grain, hay, honey, eggs, or wool fleece; 2 items allowed, BUT must be from different classes
1102	Art	Original painting or drawing using one medium
1103	Clothing	Any item in the senior division
1104	Flowers	Fresh flower arrangement, line, mass, or miniature
1105	Flowers	Flowering or non-flowering houseplant (no hanging baskets)
1106	Foods	Apple, Cherry, or Blueberry Pie, double pastry crust, no cream filling, no other fruit, no canned pie fillings; must be in a disposable foil pan (8 inches or larger)
1107	Foods	Coffee Cake; cinnamon or fruited; square or rectangle shaped, must be removed from pan; no frosting; identify on tag
1108	Hobbies & Crafts	Any type of craft, no kits
1109	Home Environment & Family Life	Homemade toy, doll, or stuffed animal, no kits
1110	Home Environment & Family Life	Any type of home accessory
1111	Photography	Color pictures, any subject, may enter several pictures, but only one (1) in each class
1112	Science	Woodworking Item
1113	Vegetable	Collection, a display of at least 3 different kinds of vegetables from the home garden
1114	Vegetable	Vegetable art, all natural
1115	Vegetable	Herb collection in a container of water, 5 items must be identified

NOTE: All Gold, 1st -3rd place entries in the food classes will be sent to the cake auction on Thursday night. Following all cake auction criteria, food exhibitors are encouraged to attend and present their entries on stage. All money received from the sale will go directly to the support of the fair.





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Department 2: Agricultural Commodities

Superintendent **Contact Information**
Deborah Miller 443-847-0652
Paul Miller 443-243-7679

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SECTION A – GRAIN:

Grain entries shall consist of one quart in a clear glass container.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
2101	2201	2301	Barley, 1qt.
2102	2202	2302	Oats, 1 qt.
2103	2203	2303	Rye, 1 qt.
2104	2204	2304	Wheat, 1 qt.
2105	2205	2305	Soybeans, black, 1 qt.
2106	2206	2306	Soybeans, yellow, 1 qt.
2107	2207	2307	Corn Shelled, 1 qt.
2108	2208	2308	Corn, ten ears
2109	2209	2309	Corn, longest ear
2110	2210	2310	Corn, best single ear
2111	2211	2311	Popcorn, 10 ears
2112	2212	2312	Indian corn, 10 ears

SECTION B – HAY:

Hay must be cured below 20% moisture. Alfalfa, clover or lespedeza hay with more than 10% grass will be classified as mixed. Entry consists of a bundle approximately 18" x 18" x 6" and should be securely tied 4 ways for hanging over other displays.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
2113	2213	2313	Alfalfa
2114	2214	2314	Lespedeza
2115	2215	2315	Red clover
2116	2216	2316	Timothy, first cutting
2117	2217	2317	Alfalfa grass
2118	2218	2318	Red clover grass
2119	2219	2319	Other grasses, 1 st cutting
2120	2220	2320	Other grasses, 2 nd or 3 rd cuttings

SECTION C – HONEY:

- Honey and Beeswax must have been produced by the exhibitor's bees

within a 15-month period prior to entry.

- Honey exhibited must have been gathered and ripened in a natural way by honeybees.
- Extracted honey entry must be exhibited in 1 lb. glass jar.
- Chunk and finely granulated honey entry must be exhibited in jars of 1 lb. or more capacity.
- Section comb honey must be wrapped in clear cellophane.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
2121	2221	2321	Extracted honey, 1 lb. Jar
2122	2222	2322	Section comb honey, light or dark
2123	2223	2323	Chunk honey, 1 lb. Jar

SECTION D – EGGS:

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
2124	2224	2324	One dozen, white, extra-large chicken eggs
2125	2225	2325	One dozen, white, large chicken eggs
2126	2226	2326	One dozen, brown, extra-large chicken eggs
2127	2227	2327	One dozen, brown, large chicken eggs
2128	2228	2328	One dozen colored chicken eggs
2129	2229	2329	One dozen duck eggs

SECTION E – WOOL FLEECE

- Member may enter fleece, provided the sheep was owned by the exhibitor at the time of shearing.
- Fleece must be from the current wool crop and represent no more than 15 months growth. Each fleece must be



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clean, free of chaff, burrs, tags, and second cuts.

3. Fleece tied with paper twine or untied, in clear plastic bag.

Preparation:

- a. Fleece must be clean, free of chaff, burrs, tags and second cuts. Fleeces must be skirted and rolled flesh side out as to allow adequate handling, yet not affect the character or attractiveness.
- b. Fleece must be tagged with breed, sex, number of months growth.

White Wool and Natural Colored Wool:

Fleeces will be judged on suitability for hand spinning. In case of controversy, the decision of the department superintendent and the judge shall be final.

Breed Class and Commercial Fleece:

Breed fleece classes will be judged on fleece characteristics clearly representative of the breed. Commercial fleece will be judged on fleece qualities expected by the industry including uniformity, cleanliness and yield.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
2130	2230	2330	White – Fine and medium wool – Fleece counts about 60 and counts 58’s to 50’s
2131	2231	2331	White – Long and coarse wool – Fleece counts 48’s - 44’s and counts 40’s and below.
2132	2232	2332	Natural Colored – Fine and medium wool – Fleece counts about 60 and counts 58’s to 50’s
2133	2233	2333	Natural Colored – Long and coarse wool – Fleece counts 48’s - 44’s and counts 40’s and below.
2134	2234	2334	Purebred – Example: Suffolk, Southdown, Hampshire, etc. or commercial fleece.

SECTION F – EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

An educational display or poster with information that would help educate the public about any phase of agricultural commodities.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
2135	2235	2335	Educational display



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Department 3: Art

Superintendent Contact Information

Megan Olson 410-409-1610

Kris Olson 240-353-7030

Libby Fox 410-882-5868

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. All artwork should be ready to hang, either framed with wire and screw eyes for hanging or mounted on mat board with materials for hanging.
2. Size limit is 36" either way, including frame.
3. Entries are limited to original artwork in all media. Non-original (i.e traced artwork, paint-by-number or pre-made kits) artwork will be judged accordingly.
4. All artwork that uses more than one medium should be entered in Mixed Media.
5. Copyrighted images or logos will not be accepted.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
3101	3201	3301	Collage, framed and ready to hang
3102	3202	3302	Original painting, oil or acrylic
3103	3203	3303	Original painting, watercolor
3104	3204	3304	Original painting, poster paints
3105	3205	3305	Original drawing, chalk or pastels
3106	3206	3306	Original drawing, pencil
3107	3207	3307	Original drawing, colored pencil
3108	3208	3308	Original drawing, charcoal
3109	3209	3309	Original drawing, crayon
3110	3210	3310	Original drawing, pen and ink
3111	3211	3311	Original drawing, cartoon
3112	3212	3312	Block printing, original design, blocks must accompany exhibit
3113	3213	3313	3-D art/sculpture
3114	3214	3314	Mixed media, artwork that combines two or more of the art classes
3115	3215	3315	Educational display or poster about art
3116	3216	3316	Graphic Design/Computer Generated art (original design)





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Department 4: Bucket of Junk

Superintendent Contact Information
Rene Bookoff 443-540-1576

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

DESCRIPTION:

- a) Create a one-of-a-kind sculpture to be displayed at the fair.
- b) A five-gallon bucket of unique pieces, otherwise known as “junk,” will be provided.
- c) All the buckets will include the same number of items and be as close to identical as possible.
- d) The goal is to use all the items in the bucket. Be creative with the contents of the bucket.
- e) Buckets will be available for pick-up during the fair set-up at the Maryland State Fairgrounds.
- f) Please return the bucket.

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Registration is online, and the buckets must be picked up on **Fair Set up Date July 11th, 2026 by 12:00p.m.** Any buckets not picked up by 12:00 p.m. will be available to interested participants who are helping at **fair set-up.** (One per family please)
2. Exhibitors may participate as an individual or as a club entry, not both.
3. Club entry consists of at least 2 individuals.
4. Each club can have 1 entry.
5. Each family can have 1 entry.
6. Must use all items inside of the bucket to create a SINGLE masterpiece. (Do not use bucket)
7. Clean, sand, weld, glue, cut, blot, fasten, bend, shape, paint, or finish the items provided, BUT no pieces can be added. If an item is cut, all pieces must be used.
8. Creations will be accepted the first day of the fair though the second day of the fair (Tuesday July 14th – Wednesday July 15th) and must be in place for judging at 5:00 p.m. on the second day of the fair. Bring completed masterpieces to the **Projects by Clubs Department.**
9. Creations judged on creativity, workmanship, and inclusion of ALL pieces of the bucket.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
4101	4201	4301	Individual Entry
4102			Club Entry – only one member enters the class; Include other Club members' names





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Department 5: Clothing

Superintendent Contact Information

Jamie Frank 410-215-3525

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. All garments must be sewn or knitted.
2. The fair is not responsible for returning exhibitors' hangers but will make every effort to do so. If you would like your hanger returned, please put your name on the hanger.
3. A 4-H member may exhibit in a class above his or her age level, but may not enter a class designated for a younger age group.
4. A 4-H Youth cannot enter the same type of garment in two different age classes.
5. All garments entered in the Fashion Revue and Shepherd's Lead must be marked "FASHION REVUE" or "SHEPHERD'S LEAD" on the back of the entry tags. Only tags marked will be permitted to be removed from the department for the Fashion Revue or Shepherd's Lead.
6. The "Group Entry" Class may be entered by (a) a team of two or more youth; (b) a family of one or more youth and one adult; (c) a 4-H club of three or more youth and one adult/
Groups may not have more than one adult participant.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
5101			Junior Sewing Kit – Include at least 8 different notions a beginning sewer needs in a “sewing basket” you have decorated.
	5202		Intermediate Sewing Kit - Include at least 12 different notions a beginning sewer needs in a “sewing basket” you have decorated.
5103	5203	5303	Clothing Accessory – Tote bag or Purse
5104	5204	5304	Clothing Accessory – Apron
5105	5205	5305	Clothing Accessory – Belt, Scarf, or Necktie
5106	5206	5306	Clothing Accessory – Hat
5107	5207	5307	Clothing Accessory – Other (Does not fit in the above categories)
5108	5208	5308	Knitted Accessory – Scarf
5109	5209	5309	Knitted Accessory – Mittens
5110	5210	5310	Knitted Accessory – Hat
5111	5211	5311	Knitted Garment – Sweater, Vest, Jacket, etc.
5112	5212	5312	Blouse or shirt – any style
5113	5213	5313	Vest
5114	5214	5314	Skirt – any style
5115	5215	5315	Shorts, pants or skort – any style
5116	5216	5316	Sportswear – sweat/jogging suit or beach cover up/bathing suit
5117	5217	5317	Pajamas, nightgown or other sleepwear
5118	5218	5318	Sundress or other simple dress without collar or sleeves
5119	5219	5319	Jumper – cannot be worn alone
5120	5220	5320	Romper
5121	5221	5321	Dress – one piece
5122	5222	5322	Two-piece outfit
5123	5223	5323	Outerwear – simple jacket, poncho, etc.
5124	5224	5324	Tailored jacket or coat, lined
5125	5225	5325	Evening wear – short or long



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5126	5226	5326	Garment for child age 4 or under
5127	5227	5327	Costume – identify activity for which the garment was created and worn; attach photo showing costume being worn
5128	5228	5328	Purchased garment decorated with sewn design – appliqué, ribbon, needlework, or other fabric trim
5129	5229	5329	Doll clothes – attach photo of garment on the doll
5130	5230	5330	Group entry (team, family, club) See rule #6
5131	5231	5331	Outfit – original design, attach brief description of how it was designed
5132	5232	5332	Revitalized outfit – an altered and redesigned ready to wear garment. Example: combine elements form 2 garments; recreate a bodice for an existing dress skirt. Include before picture.
5133	5233	5333	Miscellaneous sewing item (Entry cannot be shown in any other Clothing Department Class)





Department 6: Clovers

Superintendent Contact Information

Jolene Campbell 410-252-6860

Proposed Premiums: \$1.00 per entry

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Each enrolled clover-age 4-H youth (children 5-7 as of Jan. 1 of the current year) are permitted to enter a total of 10 exhibits. There can only be one exhibit per class.
2. Member must be enrolled as a “Clover” in the Baltimore County 4-H Office on or before May 1 of the current year.
3. The size of each exhibit should be such that the clover-age participant can manipulate and show it themselves.
4. Consult the regular department for guidelines to enter each class of clover exhibit.
5. Clover Superintendent or Assistant will receive entries and ask appropriate questions about how the item was made and make advisory comments. Superintendent has the discretion to determine acceptability of item presented for exhibition.
6. All Clover Exhibits except food would be received on “indoor” entry day and displayed together by class in the Clover Department. The Foods (cookies) will be received in the Foods Department when Food Exhibits are received. All cookie entries must include a recipe that lists all the ingredients. Please refer to the rules and regulations for the Foods Department.
7. Clover cookie entries will be used to create a “Clover Cookie Basket” for Thursday night’s cake auction. Clovers who enter cookies in the clover department may help present the basket at auction.
8. Exhibits will be released at the close of the fair.
9. Each exhibitor will receive one clover ribbon.

Clover	Class
6001	Art
6002	Clothing
6003	Flowers
6004	Family Life
6005	Foods (6 baked cookies only)
6006	Hobbies & Crafts
6007	Home Environment
6008	Photography
6009	Vegetables
6010	Science – Woodworking only





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Department 7: Animal Education Posters

Superintendent **Contact Information**
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Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. TWO CLASSES:
 - a. Large Animal Project Educational Poster (alpacas, cattle, goats, horses, sheep, swine, etc.)
 - b. Small Animal Project Educational Poster (cats, dogs, guinea pigs, poultry, rabbits, other birds, etc.)
2. One poster per exhibitor, per class.
3. Posters will be judged on educational criteria, and quality of the visual concept.
4. Any size poster or tri-fold is acceptable.
5. No Club Names allowed on posters.
6. Attach exhibitor tag to upper-right hand corner of the poster/tri-fold using paper clip or tape.
7. On Thursday, after judging, exhibitors may take their poster/trifold to animal exhibit area for educational purposes. Winning posters must display ribbons for duration of the fair.

	Class
7001	Large Animal Project Educational Poster
7002	Small Animal Project Educational Poster



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Department 9: Flowers

Superintendent Contact Information

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*Please text the superintendent with questions for the fastest reply. *

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Specimen Flowers, except for Gladiolus, Rose, and Dahlia Classes which require only one bloom, must be exhibited with three single blooms on separate stems and must be of the same variety, color, and size.
2. Some foliage us required on all specimen flowers.
3. Exhibitors must provide suitable containers for their specimen exhibits.
4. Flower arrangements may be constructed of home-grown flowers or hot house flowers. No artificial material is permitted except for silk flower classes, and no artificially colored or dyed materials may be used in fresh flower arrangement classes.
5. Entry tags must be attached to exhibits.
6. The collection classes should be placed in water in a container. – 1 stem of each variety.

SECTION A – CUT FLOWERS

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
9101	9201	9301	Large Zinnias – Specimen
9102	9202	9302	Small Zinnias – Specimen
9103	9203	9303	Large Marigolds – Specimen
9104	9204	9304	Small Marigolds – Specimen
9105	9205	9305	Petunias – Specimen
9106	9206	9306	Other Annual, Labeled – Specimen
9107	9207	9307	Salvia – Specimen
9108	9208	9308	Gladiolus – Specimen
9109	9209	9309	Dahlias – Specimen
9110	9210	9310	Rose – Specimen
9111	9211	9311	Perennial Collection, 5 different varieties in one container, labeled
9112	9212	9312	Annual Collection, 5 different varieties in one container, labeled

SECTION B – HOUSE PLANTS

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
9113	9213	9313	African Violet
9114	9214	9314	House Plant, flowering in bloom, labeled, no African violets
9115	9215	9315	House Plant, non-flowering, labeled
9116	9216	9316	Hanging basket, flowering in bloom, labeled
9117	9217	9317	Hanging basket, non-flowering, labeled
9118	9218	9318	House Plant collection – three different varieties of non-flowering house plants, labeled, not over 6” pots
9119	9219	9319	Dish Garden, tropical, must have at least 3 different varieties
9120	9220	9320	Dish Garden, succulent, must have at least 3 different varieties
9121	9221	9321	Terrarium, tropical or forest, must have at least 3 different varieties and lid
9122	9222	9322	Terrarium, succulent, must have at least 3 different varieties, no lid



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SECTION C – ARRANGEMENTS & CORSAGES

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
9123	9223	9323	Fresh Flower Arrangement, line
9124	9224	9324	Fresh Flower Arrangement, mass
9125	9225	9325	Fresh Flower Arrangement, center piece, with candles
9126	9226	9326	Fresh Flower Arrangement, holiday, not Christmas
9127	9227	9327	Silk Flower Arrangement, line or mass, some dried materials may be used
9128	9228	9328	Silk Flower Arrangement, miniature, not to exceed 6", some dried materials may be used
9129	9229	9329	Dried Flower Arrangement, line or mass, no treated or dyed material
9130	9230	9330	Dried door or wall decoration, no treated or dyed material
9131	9231	9331	Fresh flower corsage, single flower
9132	9232	9332	Fresh flower corsage, spray
9133	9233	9333	Arrangement bud vase – No floral foam
9134	9234	9334	Fresh Flower Bouquet, transparent glass, long stems – No Floral Foam
9135	9235	9335	Silk flower corsage, single flower
9136	9236	9336	Silk flower corsage, spray

SECTION D – MISCELLANEOUS

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
9137	9237	9337	Designer Class, backdrop needed, 3'high by 2' wide
9138	9238	9338	Patio pot, window box, or fairy garden, identify plants used
9139	9239	9339	Poster or display, educational, flowers or plants, be creative





Welcome to 4-H

Dylan Poling



Department 10: Foods

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Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

GENERAL RULES:

1. All entries must be made by the individual 4-H member. Entries by different youth from the same household that appear to be from the same pan/batch may be disqualified at the discretion of the judges.
2. All food entries must be made from “scratch” (no mixes) except classes 10154, 10254, and 10354.
3. No commercial frostings may be used.
4. All foods must be entered on a paper plate and in a plastic bag if possible.
5. Attach all entry tags to plates with string/yarn.
6. Bring whole product or number stated to be judged.
7. An item requiring refrigeration is not acceptable, except cheesecakes.
8. Baked goods with frostings, icings, or fillings that contain the following perishable ingredients will not be judged: heavy cream, whipping cream, whipped cream, cream cheese, sour cream, yogurt, pudding, custard, curd, meringue-type topping, or fresh fruit. Eggs used in recipes must be cooked.
9. **New for 2026! Cream cheese, German Chocolate, coconut-pecan, ganache, 7-minute frostings, or buttercream frostings (with more than 2 tablespoons of milk in the recipe) are not to be exhibited at the fair. They are potential TSC foods (foods that require either temperature or time control for food safety) due to the range of water activity in various recipes. (Reference – Iowa State University, Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition)**
10. No entries will be accepted unless there is a specific class for them. Make sure your entry is pre-entered in the correct class. There will be no class changes.
11. **Recipes must be submitted with each food entry.** A recipe should include the list of ingredients, the amounts, and procedures for preparing the product. **Exhibits without recipes will not be judged.**
12. All cakes, pies, loaves of bread, coffee rings, coffee cakes, and cookie gift baskets receiving gold awards and first or second place (and possibly third) will be sold at the Cake Auction, at the discretion of the Cake Auction Committee.
13. No alcoholic beverages may be used as an ingredient in any food entries.
14. Please call the superintendents if you have a question about a class.



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SECTION A – QUICK BREADS

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
10101	10201	10301	Muffins, 4, plain, no liners, no mini muffins
10102	10202	10302	Muffins, 4, other, no liners, no mini muffins, identify type on tag
10103	10203	10303	Baking powder biscuits, 4, plain, rolled
10104	10204	10304	Fruit or fruit & nut bread, loaf, 8 inches or larger (banana, etc.); identify type on tag
10105	10205	10305	Vegetable or vegetable & nut bread, loaf, 8 inches or larger (zucchini, etc.); identify type on tag
10106	10206	10306	Cinnamon coffee cake, no frosting, square or rectangle shape , must be removed from pan
10107	10207	10307	Fruited coffee cake, no frosting, square or rectangle shape , must be removed from pan; identify type on tag

SECTION B – YEAST BREADS

No yeast breads entered in this section may be made in a bread machine! See section I – Special Classes for Bread Machine Classes.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
10108	10208	10308	Dinner rolls, 4, plain
10109	10209	10309	Fancy sweet rolls, 4, no raisins, nuts, etc., with or without icing; identify type on tag
10110	10210	10310	Loaf bread – white
10111	10211	10311	Novelty yeast breads; identify type on tag
10112	10212	10312	Loaf bread, other than white (rye, wheat, raisin, etc.); identify type on tag

SECTION C – CAKES

All cakes (except decorated cakes) must fit under 10” cake dome. All cakes must be removed from the pan. No decorations in classes 10113-10123, 10213-10223, 10313-10323.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
10113	10213	10313	Chocolate batter cake – traditional – 2 or 3 layers, any non-perishable frosting (see general foods department rules #8 and #9) – (no German chocolate) -NO OTHER FLAVORS, NO FILLINGS (non-traditional cakes., i.e. cakes with other flavors and/or non-perishable fillings, should be entered in the Exhibitor’s Choice class)
10114	10214	10314	Golden batter cake – traditional – 2 or 3 layers, any non-perishable frosting (see general foods department rules #8 and #9) - NO OTHER FLAVORS, NO FILLINGS (non-traditional cakes, i.e. cakes with other flavors and/or non-perishable fillings, should be entered in the Exhibitor’s Choice class)
10115	10215	10315	Cupcakes – 4, golden batter, no frosting
10116	10216	10316	Cupcakes – 4, chocolate batter, no frosting
10117	10217	10317	Chiffon cake, no frosting
10118	10218	10318	Marble batter cake, 2 or 3 layers, any non-perishable frosting (see general foods department rules #8 and #9)
10119	10219	10319	Pound cake, plain, no frosting, no nuts (no loaf cake) – must be baked in a round tube or Bundt pan
10120	10220	10320	Applesauce cake, no frosting, Bundt pan acceptable
10121	10221	10321	Angel food cake, no frosting – must be baked in a round tube
10122	10222	10322	Chocolate pound cake, no frosting, no nuts (no loaf cake) – must be baked in a round tube or Bundt pan
10123	10223	10323	Spice batter cake, 2 or 3 layers, any non-perishable frosting (see general foods department rules #8 and #9)
10124	10224	10324	Decorated cake, 1, will be cut/tasted, all decorations must be edible
10125	10225	10325	Decorated cupcake, 1, standard size, will be cut and tasted, all decorations must be edible



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SECTION D – COOKIES

6 on a paper plate, in plastic bag; must be uniform in shape, color and size.

Only Fancy Cookies may have filling or icing.

All Cookies must be baked and must have flour as an ingredient.

PLEASE FOLLOW CLASS DEFINITIONS:

- Drop Cookies: Dough is dropped by rounded teaspoons onto cookie sheet.
- Rolled Cookies: Must be rolled out on a board & cut into shapes with a cookie cutter.
- Pressed Cookies: Formed into shapes with cookie press.
- Refrigerator Cookies: Dough is formed into a roll, refrigerated, and then thinly sliced.
- Molded Cookies: Dough is formed into desire shaped with your hands and can be flattened with a fork.
- Bar Cookies: Dough is spread into a pan, baked and cut.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
10126	10226	10326	Drop Cookies other than Chocolate Chip
10127	10227	10327	Chocolate Chip Cookies – TRADITIONAL ONLY – No Chocolate Batter
10128	10228	10328	Molded Cookies ex. Snickerdoodles, peanut butter cookies
10129	10229	10329	Pressed Cookies
10130	10230	10330	Pizelle or Swedish Rosettes & Timbales
10131	10231	10331	Pfeffernuess, Tea Cakes, Bon Bons, or other ball shaped cookies
10132	10232	10332	Miscellaneous bar cookies, no icing
10133	10233	10333	Fancy Cookies, filled, iced etc., no brownies (see general foods department rules #8 and #9)
10134	10234	10334	Traditional Brownies, no icing
10135	10235	10335	Rolled Cookies, must be uniform in shape, all alike
10136	10236	10336	Refrigerator Cookies (the dough is formed into a roll and is sliced after being refrigerated – just chilling the dough does not make a cookie a refrigerator cookie)

SECTION E – CANDY

- 6 Pieces on paper plate, in plastic bag, must be uniform – same shape, color, and size.
- All fudge must be cooked on top of a stove. Cooking fudge DOES NOT mean just melting the chocolate and/or ingredients.
- See section I – Special Classes for fudge cooked in the microwave oven.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
10137	10237	10337	Fudge, peanut butter, cooked, no nuts, no chocolate, peanut butter only
10138	10238	10338	Fudge, chocolate, cooked, no nuts, no peanut butter, chocolate only
10139	10239	10339	Mints uncooked , no chocolate, must be uniform in shape and color

SECTION F – PIES

- Must be in disposable aluminum foil pan (8 inches or larger.) Others not accepted.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
10140	10240	10340	Apple pie, double pastry crust, no cream filling, no other fruit, no canned pie fillings
10141	10241	10341	Cherry pie, double pastry crust, no cream filling, no other fruit, no canned pie fillings
10142	10242	10342	Blueberry pie, double pastry crust, no cream filling, no other fruit, no canned pie fillings
10143	10243	10343	Baked pastry crust, no filling



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SECTION G – NUTRITION POSTERS

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
10144	10244	10344	Poster 14" x 22" displaying information on food groups, nutrition, diets or balanced meals. To be judged on originality, neatness, nutritional message and eye appeal.

SECTION H – FOOD PRESERVATION

1. All entries must be processed and sealed in standard canning jars, including jams and jellies.
2. Label jar with processing method and time.
3. Recipes are not required.
4. No rusty lids.
5. Any size jar is acceptable.
6. See "Ball Blue Book" for standards (headspace, processing time, etc.)

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
10145	10245	10345	Fruits (1/2-inch headspace)
10146	10246	10346	Fruit Juices (1/4-inch headspace)
10147	10247	10347	Vegetables (low acid = 1 inch headspace; high acid = 1/2-inch headspace)
10148	10248	10348	Vegetable Juices (1/4-inch headspace)
10149	10249	10349	Pickles (1/2-inch headspace)
10150	10250	10350	Relishes (1/2-inch headspace)
10151	10251	10351	Jams or preserves, no wax (1/4-inch headspace)
10152	10252	10352	Jellies, no wax (1/4-inch headspace)

SECTION I – SPECIAL CLASSES

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
10153	10253	10353	Loaf of Yeast Bread Must be made and baked in a bread machine. Do not use prepared mix. Recipe must be included. Identify type on tag.
10154	10254	10354	Cake made with cake mix and additional ingredients, frosted with any non-perishable frosting or plain (see general foods department rules #8 and #9). Cakes with frostings, icings, or fillings that contain the following perishable ingredients will not be judged: heavy cream, whipping cream, whipped cream, cream cheese, sour cream, yogurt, pudding, custard, curd, meringue-type topping, or fresh fruit. Eggs used in recipes must be cooked. No decorations. Recipe must be included. Identify type on tag.
10155	10255	10355	Cookie gift basket or box, 5 different kinds of cookies, 6 each, arranged in decorated box or basket as you would use as a gift. Place 1 additional cookie of each kind in plastic bag for judging. If selected to be sold at cake auction, container will not be returned.
10156	10256	10356	Fudge, chocolate, cooked in microwave oven, no nuts, no peanut butter, chocolate only – 6 pieces on paper plate, in plastic bag.
10157	10257	10357	Fudge, peanut butter, cooked in microwave oven, no nuts, no chocolate, peanut butter only – 6 pieces on paper plate, in plastic bag.
10158	10258	10358	Any type of yeast bread made in a bread machine but baked in the oven. Do not use prepared mix. Identify type on tag.
10159	10259	10359	Exhibitor's Choice Cake – any cake not listed in SECTION C – CAKES. No mixes may be used (see general foods department rules #8 and #9). Cakes with frostings, icings, or fillings that contain the following perishable ingredients will not be judged: heavy cream, whipping cream, whipped cream, cream cheese, sour cream, yogurt, pudding, custard, curd, meringue-type topping, or fresh fruit. Eggs used in recipes must be cooked. No decorations. Recipe must be included. Identify type on tag.



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10160	10260	10360	Cheesecake, any kind, must be baked, 9 inches in size
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SECTION J – BAKED GOODS NOT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
10161	10261	10361	Dog Treats – 6 treats on a paper plate, in plastic bag. All treats must be baked. Should be uniform in size, shape and color. A recipe must be included. These will not be tasted.





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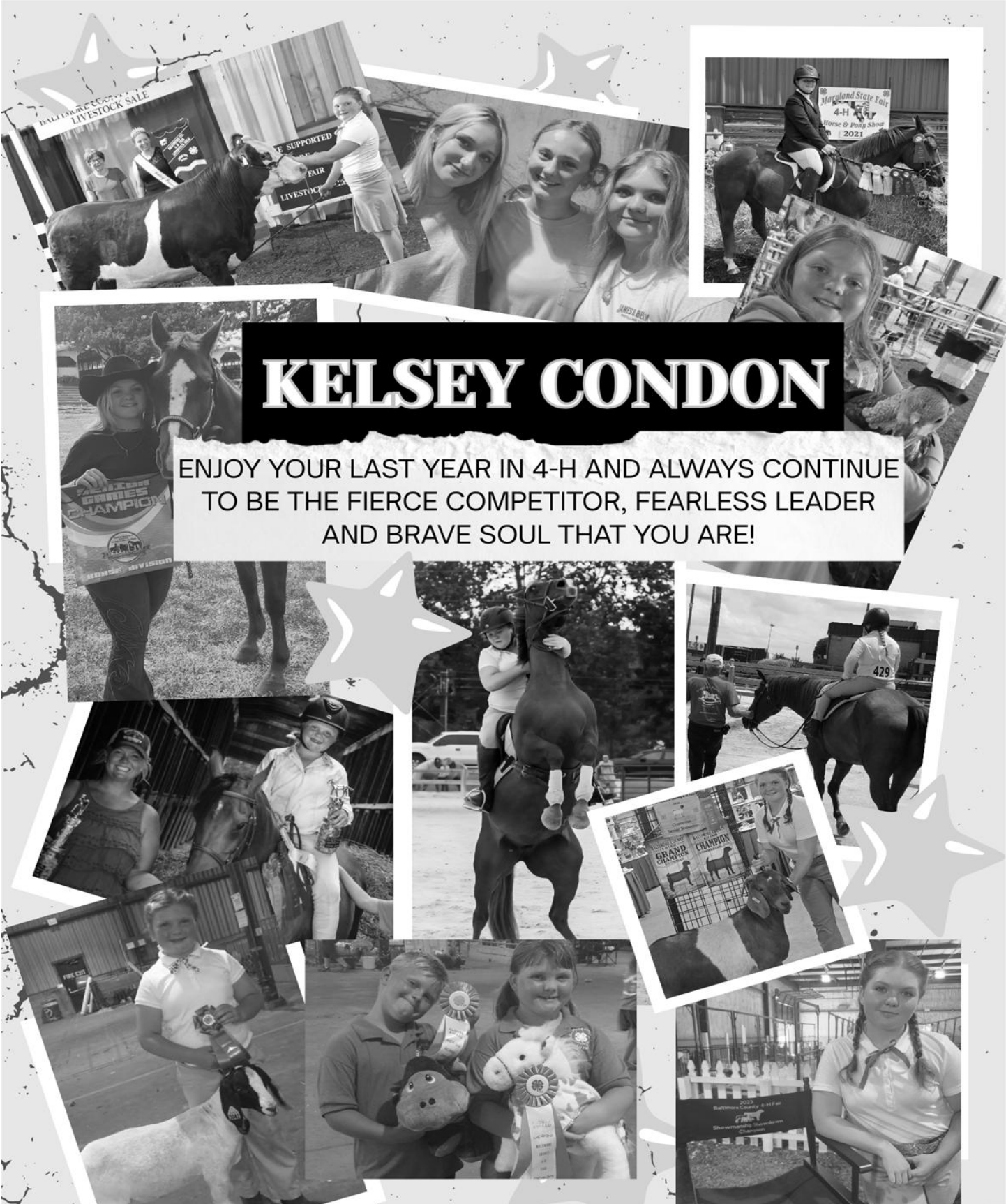
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Rules:

1. All cakes, pies, loaves of bread, coffee rings, coffee cakes, and cookie gift baskets that received a Gold award and First and Second placing and possibly Third. All items sold at the Cake Auction will be at the discretion of the Cake Auction Committee.
2. A cookie basket and candy box containing samples from each of the entries will be sold.
3. A Clover Cookie Basket will be auctioned. Clovers who entered cookies in the clover department may help present the basket at the auction.
4. The adult winner's baked item will be auctioned at the end of the cake auction. Please be present to display your item.
5. Exhibitors are encouraged to recruit buyers for the Cake Auction. Consider businesses in your area, relatives, or friends. You may want to invite your prospective buyer to attend the picnic supper before the Auction. The picnic supper will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Cow Palace.
6. Exhibitors selling their prize-winning foods are encouraged to be present on the night of the Cake Auction. You will have the privilege of presenting your food item to the buyers during the auction.
7. PLEASE NOTE: Exhibitors presenting baked goods at the Cake Auction are required to be clean and neatly dressed. Show clothes are acceptable.
8. "Thank You" note information for the exhibitors selling items in the Cake Auction will be available on Saturday morning at the entrance to the foods department. "Thank You" notes from the exhibitors to the buyers are expected to be written as soon as possible after the auction. See the Cake Auction Committee for more information.

The Cake Auction stands as the cornerstone fundraiser for the Baltimore County 4-H Fair, with every dollar raised directly supporting the fair's success. To acknowledge their hard work, the fair will be piloting an incentive where each exhibitor receives 10% of the sale of their foods items sold through the cake auction. This small token of appreciation will not only support our young bakers but also ensure the continued success and tradition of our fair. Items excluded from the incentive include items entered in the Adult Foods Entries, and combined auction items such as Clover Cookie Basket, Cookie Basket with Champions, Candy Box, Dog Treats, and Brownie Box. Let's invest in our young bakers and inspire a new wave of enthusiasm and support for the Baltimore County 4-H Fair Cake Auction.





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Department 11: Hobbies and Crafts

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Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Craft entries will be evaluated in terms of the following definition of a quality craft: “A quality craft reflects the craftsman’s imagination and skill in creating decorative and/or useful handmade items from appropriate designs and materials.”
2. Each item must be marked – Kit or Not Kit. If not marked it will be judged as a kit.
3. Entries for miscellaneous will be accepted only if there is not a class listed for the article entered.
4. Craft items SHALL NOT contain food items, i.e. wrapped or unwrapped candy, gum drops, gingerbread, etc.
5. Craft items SHALL NOT be over 24 inches.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
11101	11201	11301	Basketry (indicate reed or paper twist, yarn, fiber cloth)
11102	11202	11302	Candle
11103	11203	11303	Ceramics – painted or glazed
11104	11204	11304	Collage – cloth or paper
11105	11205	11305	Decorative Painting – (painting/stenciling on glass, wood, China, basketry) no clothing
11106	11206	11306	Decoupage Item
11107	11207	11307	Educational Display or Poster about crafts (“How to...”)
11108	11208	11308	Eggery – All eggs must be blown (no cooked or raw eggs)
11109	11209	11309	Fabric Craft (not wearable)
11110	11210	11310	Hobby Collection
11111	11211	11311	Holiday Craft – Christmas (no wreaths)
11112	11212	11312	Holiday Craft – Other (no wreaths)
11113	11213	11313	Jewelry (indicate original or kit with instructions)
11114	11214	11314	Leather Work – Stamped or Tooled (indicate if kit)
11115	11215	11315	Mask Making
11116	11216	11316	Metal Craft
11117	11217	11317	Miniatures (i.e.: doll house furniture, scale 1 inch to 1 foot)
11118	11218	11318	Miscellaneous (does not fit in any of the other categories)
11119	11219	11319	Modeling – clay or plaster (molded)
11120	11220	11320	Models (no model rockets, no Legos)
11121	11221	11321	Mosaics (tiles, seeds, glass, etc.)
11122	11222	11322	Nature Craft (i.e.: cornhusk dolls, no terrarium or wreath)
11123	11223	11323	Paper Craft (quilling, cut designs, twist, etc.)
11124	11224	11324	Paper Mache (no masks)
11125	11225	11325	Puppet
11126	11226	11326	Recycled Craft
11127	11227	11327	Rock or Shell Craft (not a collection)
11128	11228	11328	Sand Art
11129	11229	11329	Scrapbook
11130	11230	11330	Sculpture – clay or plaster
11131	11231	11331	Sculpture – stone, metal, wire
11132	11232	11332	Shadow Box



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11133	11233	11333	Soap Making (clarify process)
11134	11234	11334	Stained Glass (leaded type)
11135	11235	11335	Stamping – monoprint
11136	11236	11336	Stamping – rubber – paper craft (no clothing)
11137	11237	11337	String Art or Wire Art
11138	11238	11338	Wearable Art – liquid embroidery, batik, stencil
11139	11239	11339	Weaving (must state loom or hand)
11140	11240	11340	Wreaths
11141	11241	11341	Wreaths – holiday themed
11142	11242	11342	Duct Tape – craft must be 90% duct tape, any colors
11143	11243	11343	Weaving – rubber band style (i.e. Rainbow Loom, etc.)
11144	11244	11344	Legos – create any items using Legos, not to exceed 12 inches
11145	11245	11345	Pottery – hand thrown, original, fired
11146	11246	11346	Blown Glass
11147	11247	11347	Diamond Dots – must be framed
11148	11248	11348	Maryland craft – any craft with a Maryland theme





**Good Luck
at the Fair!**



The Cycle Shack family



Department 12: Home Environment & Family Life

Superintendent Contact Information

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Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

Craft and wooden items must be entered in the Hobbies & Crafts and Science Departments, respectively.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
12101	12201	12301	Decorative Bulletin Board – may have wooden frame
12102	12202	12302	Decorative Trash Can
12103	12203	12303	Storage Item – fabric only (locker caddy, laundry bag, covered hanger, etc.)
12104	12204	12304	Table Coverings (tablecloth, table runner, 4 placemats, or 4 napkins)
12105	12205	12305	Desk Accessories – 2 different items (blotter, bookends, pencil holder, etc.)
12106	12206	12306	Kitchen Accessories – fabric only (toaster, blender, or mixer cover, potholder, etc.)
12107	12207	12307	Bedroom Accessories (bedspread, comforter, dust ruffle, pillow sham, etc.)
12108	12208	12308	Window Treatments (balloon shade, valance, curtain, drapery, etc.)
12109	12209	12309	Decorative Hand or Guest Towel – 1, needlework, appliqué, or other fabric trimmed
12110	12210	12310	Decorative Pillowcase – needlework
12111	12211	12311	Framed Needlework Picture – Kit
12112	12212	12312	Framed Needlework Picture – Original design
12113	12213	12313	Needlework Plastic Canvas
12114	12214	12314	Framed Fabric Picture
12115	12215	12315	Wall Hanging
12116	12216	12316	Decorative Pillow – patchwork design
12117	12217	12317	Decorative Pillow – needlework design
12118	12218	12318	Decorative Pillow – plain
12119	12219	12319	Decorative Pillow – novelty shapes, usually from kit/pattern, no latch hook
12120	12220	12320	Pillowcase – no needlework
12121	12221	12321	Afghan, knitted or crocheted
12122	12222	12322	Other Accessory for the Home – knitted or crocheted
12123	12223	12323	Quilt
12124	12224	12324	Quilt Top Only, pieced or appliquéd, 45" x 56" for juniors and intermediates; 45" x 56" or larger for seniors
12125	12225	12325	Miniature Quilt, smaller than 20" x 24" – pieced or appliquéd and quilted
12126	12226	12326	Club or Small Group Project – quilt, etc. Items can be worked on by one or more 4-H members of the same club. Project entered by one 4-H youth. Attach card with the following: number of youth working on project, their names – intended use (ex. children's hospital, raffle, etc.)
12127	12227	12327	Student Gift Basket or Box – a collection of five home environment items for a student, arranged in a decorated box or basket you would use for a gift. Indicate grade level of the recipient. A maximum of 3 purchased, non-perishable items may be included (pencils, silk flowers, etc.)
12128	12228	12328	Educational Poster or Display (how to make curtains, types of yarn, etc.)
12129	12229	12329	One Large Scrapbook containing suitable pictures for children 2-3 years of age
12130	12230	12330	One Large Scrapbook containing suitable pictures for children 4-5 years of age



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12131	12231	12331	Homemade Toy, original
12132	12232	12332	Homemade Toy, made from a kit
12133	12233	12333	Homemade Doll, original, no kits
12134	12234	12334	Homemade Stuffed Animal, original, no kits
12135	12235	12335	Homemade Game, attach instructions on how to play the game and give the age level, must fit on a 12" deep shelf
12136	12236	12336	Babysitting Kit – a bag of games, books, and toys that can be taken to each babysitting job. Minimum of 10 items, at least 3 of which must be homemade
12137	12237	12337	Childcare Reference Book – containing articles, pictures, and other information on childcare and babysitting. May include information on feeding, play, and preparation for nap and bedtime
12138	12238	12338	Original Story Book – needs to tell a story, specify age of child
12139	12239	12339	Original Education Book or Skit, not a story, identify age level
12140	12240	12340	First Aid Kit – include list of basic contents
12141	12241	12341	Visual Aid – create an item (picture book, puppet, flannel board, etc.) to use when telling a story to a child. Attach card on how it will be used
12142	12242	12342	Family Life or Babysitting Display (example: toy safety, child safety, childcare.) It must stand alone and cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high
12143	12243	12343	A Completed Counted Cross Stitch Item that does not belong in a frame



The Dairy Goat Club invites you to a 4-H FAIR

Scavenger Hunt

While you're visiting the fair, find and take photos of the following items. Before you leave, show them at the Dairy Goat Club's table and take home a prize. If you can't take digital photos, stop by and tell us about the items you found during your visit!

- Something red
- A funny face
- A sleeping pig
- A flower
- Something that starts with the letter "B"
- Your favorite artwork
- A group selfie
- Something round
- A dairy cow
- Something you think is beautiful
- A picture of an animal from a photography entry
- A dairy goat



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Department 13: Photography

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Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Exhibitors will be limited to a total of 6 entries.
2. Refer to the 4-H State Fair rules concerning class descriptions so while preparing for exhibition in the County Fair, exhibitors may plan to meet State Fair requirements to have a qualified entry at the State Fair.
3. All photos must be at least 5" x 7" in size and not larger than 11" x 14", except sequence/story classes, which should be a minimum 4" x 6", max of 5" x 7" in size. (Example: buildings, flowers, people)
4. All photos must be mounted on a firm mat weight board using spray adhesive, heat seal or other permanent mounting medium. Use pre-cut mat if needed. Poster Board and Foam Core not acceptable. Do not frame photos and do not use clips of any kind. Photos may be mounted horizontally or vertically. Mat size should correspond to photo size: Photo: 5" x 7" - Mat: 8" x 10"; Photo: 8" x 10" - Mat: 11" x 14"; Photo: 11" x 14" - Mat: 16" x 20"
5. In sequence class the mounting may be wide enough to attractively accommodate all of the photos in the sequence.
6. Do not cover photos with plastic, cellophane, or any other covering.
7. The following information must be printed on the upper left-hand corner of the back of the mount: Exhibitor's Name, Age, 4-H County and Phone. A white 3" x 5" card must be taped to the top, back, right corner of the mount. The following information must be typed on the card: Title of Picture; Date Picture Taken; Name of Camera; Type of Camera; Kind of Film Used.
8. The entry tag should be attached with string and taped to the back to hang on the right side (top front) of the photo.
9. All photos must be the current year's work (July 2025-July 2026) and must be taken by the exhibitor.

SECTION A – BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOS

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
13101	13201	13301	Single picture, any subject other than those listed in this section
13102	13202	13302	Single picture, Building
13103	13203	13303	Single picture, People
13104	13204	13304	Single picture, Landscape or Waterscape
13105	13205	13305	Single picture, Animals, birds or insects
13106	13206	13306	Single picture, Action
13107	13207	13307	Single picture, Flowers or Plants
13108	13208	13308	Sequence of 2 to 5 pictures telling a story
13109	13209	13309	Collage, overlapping photos
13110	13210	13310	Single Picture, digitally altered photo
13111	13211	13311	Miscellaneous, pinhole camera pictures, photo grams, other that have merit but do not conform with any other class.



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SECTION B – COLOR PHOTOS

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
13112	13212	13312	Single picture, any subject other than those listed in this section
13113	13213	13313	Single picture, Building
13114	13214	13314	Single picture, People, 1 person
13115	13215	13315	Single picture, People, 2 or more people
13116	13216	13316	Single picture, Landscape
13117	13217	13317	Single picture, Waterscape
13118	13218	13318	Single picture, Animals, birds or insects
13119	13219	13319	Single picture, Action
13120	13220	13320	Single picture, Flowers or Plants
13121	13221	13321	Single picture, "Picture of Baltimore County," a picture that depicts a scene or life in Baltimore County.
13122	13222	13322	Single picture, "County Fair," a picture taken at last year's Baltimore County 4-H Fair
13123	13223	13323	Single picture, "Picture of 4-H," a picture of someone working with their projects, club event, meeting, etc.
13124	13224	13324	Sequence of 2 to 5 pictures telling a story
13125	13225	13325	Collage, overlapping photos
13126	13226	13326	Single Picture, digitally altered photo
13127	13227	13327	Miscellaneous, pinhole camera pictures, photo grams, other that have merit but do not conform with any other class.

SECTION C – ENLARGEMENTS (Not divided into Jr., Int., or Sr.)

	Class
13001	Black and White Enlargement
13002	Color Enlargement
13003	Digital Photo Enlargement

SECTION D – EDUCATION POSTER

Displaying information pertaining to photography, i.e., tips for taking good photographs, types of cameras, what makes pictures more interesting?

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
13128	13228	13328	Educational poster or display



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Department 14: Projects for Clubs, Booths, Banners & Floats

Booths, Banners, Scrapbooks, Shoebox Floats, Graphic Design, Promotional Posters

Superintendent Contact Information

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Proposed Premiums Sections A-D: Blue-\$25.00, Red-\$22.00, White-\$20.00

Proposed Premiums Sections E-G: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

All Club Entries must be entered by the leader or an officer.

SECTION A - 4-H/FFA CLUB BOOTH EXHIBITS

At least 2 booths will be selected to represent Baltimore County at the MD State Fair. Alternates will be chosen.

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Only one entry may be made by any one club.
2. Three Classes: A) Annual-Theme "Baltimore County 4-H Fair – From here we grow!", B) Open-Themed - features any theme Promoting 4-H & C) State Fair theme – “4-H: Ready for Work and Life”
3. See schedule for entry time.
4. Size and Construction: (for diagram see <https://marylandstatefair.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/2023-4H-DIV-T-4H-FFA-PROMOTION-FINAL.pdf>)
 - a. NEW booth dimensions: 36” W x 30” D x 16” H will be phased in during this year. New and old booth sizes will be judged together.
 - b. The sides must be in the shape of a right triangle using the following dimensions: 16” tall x 30” long/deep.
 - c. Old booth dimensions 47” W x 36” D x 22” H will be accepted during the phase in of the new size.
5. ID CARD:
 - a. Identification card must be typed not hand written. Font size minimum 16pt.
 - b. Card should be (business card size) 2”x3.5” in size and displayed horizontally.
 - c. Securely attached to the bottom board, on the right front corner.
 - d. The ID card must include the Club/Chapter Name and the county.
 - e. Booths that do not have the proper ID will be judged, but will not qualify to go to State Fair.
6. Booth Details:
 - a. Nothing in the booth may be taller than the sides of the booth where the item is placed. Booths will be covered with clear plastic to protect contents.
 - b. No Electrical hookups will be provided.
 - c. Structure **MUST** be constructed of durable materials that will look good for the duration of the fair.
7. Booth items **MUST** be securely fastened to prevent damage, loss or to prevent items from shifting if moved. Booths are often relocated after they are dropped off, if items shift due to poor design they will be left where they fall.
8. Booths **MUST** Display:
 - a. Booth Title



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- b. Minimum of one OFFICIAL 4-H Clover or FFA crest must be displayed with the minimum size of 4 inches horizontal or vertical.
 - c. Suggestions: Use readable font choices and sizes, make sure to use proper clover and crest in readable formats, colors and sizes. This is marketing/promotional display, make sure to highlight your organization. When displayed can we tell who is promoting this booth and what for? Be creative with placements of logos, text, graphics, and 3-dimensional items.
9. Management will not be responsible for items damaged or stolen.
10. All work is to be done by the 4-H/FFA members only. Leaders may supervise work being done.
11. Clubs should have someone responsible for cleaning and keeping the booth in order throughout the Fair.

	Class
14101	Club Booth Exhibit-Annual Theme
14102	Club Booth Exhibit-Open Theme
14103	Club Booth Exhibit – State Fair Theme

BOOTH Score Card Categories
Design and Structure Ratings
Overall craftsmanship and cleanliness.
Durability, Items securely fastened.
Items fit into the booth.
Visual Appearance
Fonts are easy to read, large enough, and a pleasing color.
The official 4-H Clover or FFA crest is clearly displayed.
Creativity and imagination.
Promotion Power Ratings
Effective title and suitable subject content.
Ability to convey a clear message related to the title.
Ability to attract attention and hold interest

SECTION B – 4-H/FFA CLUB BANNERS

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Only one (1) entry may be made by any one (1) club.
 - a) Three Classes:
 - a. Annual-Themed – “Baltimore County 4-H Fair – From here we grow!”
 - b. Open-Themed - features any theme promoting 4-H/FFA
 - c. State Fair Theme – “4-H: Ready for Work and Life”
2. Size and Construction:
 - a) Banners must be 50” wide and 38” long.
 - b) Banners must be able to be hung using a wooden dowel, curtain rod or pipe. The opening for the pole should to be a minimum of 3”, and is included in the overall size of 38” long.
 - c) The wooden dowel, curtain rod or pipe must be included with the banner for display purposes.



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- d) Banners not meeting these size designations will be disqualified at the Judge’s discretion.
 - e) Banners may be constructed of any type of durable material with any type of application. Appliqué and embroidery are suggested applications.
 - f) Must be able to be folded or rolled.
 - g) Design must be on one side of the banner only and should be two dimensional, expressing one idea.
3. Banner MUST Display:
- a) Banner Title
 - b) Minimum of one official 4-H Clover/ FFA crest
4. ID CARD:
- a) Identification card must be typed not handwritten. Font size minimum 16pt.
 - b) Card should be (business card size) 2”x3.5” in size and displayed horizontally.
 - c) Securely attached with safety pins, sewn, or glued on the back side of the banner on a bottom corner.
 - d) The ID card must include the Club/Chapter Name and the county.
 - e) Banners that do not have the proper ID will be judged but will not qualify to go to State Fair.

	Class
14104	Club Banner – Annual Theme
14105	Club Banner – Open Theme
14106	Club Banner – State Fair Theme

BANNER Score Card Categories
Design and structure ratings
Overall craftsmanship and cleanliness.
Durability, items securely fastened.
Visual appearance
Fonts are easy to read, large enough, and a pleasing color.
The official 4-H Clover or FFA crest is clearly displayed.
Creativity and imagination.
Promotion power ratings
Effective title and suitable subject content.
Ability to convey a clear message related to the title.
Ability to attract attention and hold interest.

SECTION C – 4-H/FFA CLUB SCRAP BOOKS

1. A Club may enter a scrapbook containing several years of information. The book will be judged on the current year, July of the previous year to July of the current year only. Your scrapbook should tell a story about what your club has done the past year.
2. Books may be separated into different categories according to the judge’s discretion (ex. Clubs larger than 20 members, clubs smaller than 20 members, clubs with 3 or more years, clubs in existence 2 years or less).

	Class
14107	Club Scrapbooks



SECTION D – 4-H/FFA CLUB SHOEBOX FLOATS

1. Floats must be made of a cardboard shoebox. Turn box over and use the bottom as your float bed.
2. They may be decorated with any theme. Decorative materials such as paper mache, cloth and foil work best.
3. The size of the float should be no bigger than 14” x 9”.
4. Judging criteria for shoebox floats: Originality, Neatness Craftsmanship, Use of Materials, and Overall Appearance.

	Class
14108	Club Shoebox Floats

SECTION E – INDIVIDUAL SHOEBOX FLOATS

1. Floats must be made of a cardboard shoebox. Turn box over and use the bottom as your float bed.
2. They may be decorated with any theme. Decorative materials such as paper mache, cloth and foil work best.
3. The size of the float should be no bigger than 14” x 9”.
4. Judging criteria for shoebox floats: Originality, Neatness Craftsmanship, Use of Materials, and Overall Appearance.

	Class
14109	Individual Shoebox Floats

SECTION F – GRAPHIC ART DESIGN

Section Rules

Each 4-H/FFA member may only enter 1 design per class.

1. Graphic Art Designs received between 3:00 and 7:30 pm on Tuesday.
2. Size and Specifics:
3. Designs may not be larger than an 8” x 10” and may be horizontal or vertical.
4. Designs must be computer generated. Final file types can be: jpg, png, pdf, esp, or psd.
5. All artwork created must be original, do not use images or photos from the internet.
6. Suggested software to use could be Photoshop, Microsoft Publisher, or related.
7. Final Graphic Art Designs should be: Printed on 8.5” x 11” Heavy White Card Stock/Coated Papers or 8” x 10” photographic paper. Glossy and matte finishes are accepted.
8. All Designs must be mounted on a firm mat weight board. Designs must use an 11” x 14” mat. Use pre-cut mats if needed.
9. Note: Files such as jpg can be printed at local 1 hour photo shops.
10. Be creative with the design, use readable fonts, and send a clear message.
11. Graphic Art Designs will be divided into three Classes:
 - a. County - create a design promoting your county 4-H/FFA program.
 - b. Maryland – create a design promoting the Maryland 4-H/FFA program.
 - c. Open - create a design promoting any 4-H/FFA project area or 4-H/FFA in general.



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MUST Include:

1. Include a minimum of one OFFICIAL 4-H Clover emblem/ FFA crest.
2. The following information must be printed on the back of the poster: Exhibitor's Name and 4-H/FFA County/City

	Class
14110	Graphic Design – County
14111	Graphic Design – Maryland
14112	Graphic Design – Open

SECTION G – PROMOTIONAL POSTERS

Section Rules & Regulations

Size and Construction:

- Posters must be exactly 14" x 22" and may be horizontal or vertical.
- Posters must be drawn on or affixed to standard poster board and must be two-dimensional. Exhibitors may use any media including marker, crayon, acrylic, oil, ink or collage.
- Posters may feature any theme promoting 4-H/FFA.

Posters MUST Include:

- The OFFICIAL 4-H Clover emblem/FFA crest and the theme title on the front side.
- The following information must be printed on the upper left-hand corner of the back of the poster: Exhibitor's Name and 4-H/FFA County/City.

	Class
14113	Promotional Poster



Horsin' Around 4-H Club



Gretchen Plaiss
Nora Trammell
Maddie Lehman
Imogen! \heartsuit
Ella Norman
Doris Liu Maloney
Calliope Lehman
Jack Norman
Maddie Barber
Fiona
Liam
Autumn Barber
Chris
Calliope
Josie
Jocelyn
Harper \heartsuit
Norman \heartsuit
Scarlett Bivona
Lexi Trammell
Emma
Alleman
William Wuter
Liam \heartsuit
Natalie Smith
Lute Smith
Charlotte Barrett
Isabella
SEZ Anna



Department 15: Science

Superintendent Contact Information

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Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Exhibitors must comply with Department Rules and Regulations.
2. Exhibits must be constructed or developed by exhibitor in the current year. No Repeat Entries.
3. Entries will be accepted and returned in accordance with the published fair schedule.

Rules for All Classes - EXCEPT Woodworking, Metalworking, and Electrical Use Project Guides for exhibiting information.

1. Where exhibits are the result of self-directed projects, include a brief description of how the exhibitor developed the project, from original idea to the finished project.
2. Refer to the State Fair for rules concerning various collections, so while preparing for exhibition in the County Fair, exhibitor may plan to meet State Fair requirements to have a qualified entry at the State Fair. Follow Project Guides wherever possible.
3. Exhibits must have a statement of the intended purpose of the exhibit and should be accompanied by schematics or diagrams where necessary to show how the exhibit relates to the Science area in which it is entered.
4. Display exhibits should be self-explanatory.

Rules for Woodworking, Metalworking and Electrical Classes

1. Use Project Guides for exhibiting information.
2. Each article must be accompanied by the plans, blueprints, working drawings, sketches, etc., used for construction. Include a statement as to the intended use of the article. These items should be placed in an envelope and fastened securely to the exhibit by string or tape.
3. If items were made in a shop class at school (no plans given out), make your own set & include a statement as above.
4. Birdhouses with perches attract unwanted, nonnative birds, not native birds such as blue birds. Therefore, birdhouses should be made without perches.

Computer technology exhibits will be judged as soon as possible after entry and may be removed by the exhibitor at any time after judging. Superintendent's initials must appear on exhibitor's copy of his/her entry form.



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SECTION A – PHYSICS

(Motion, Heat, Light, Sound, Electricity)

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15101	15201	15301	Practical electrical application
15102	15202	15302	Electronic kit
15103	15203	15303	Electronic game / quizzes
15104	15204	15304	Rocketry, single stage
15105	15205	15305	Rocketry, multistage
15106	15206	15306	Heat, light, sound or motion display
15107	15207	15307	Miscellaneous physics exhibits

SECTION B – GEOLOGY

(Earth's Crust Structure, Rock and Soil Formation)

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15108	15208	15308	Soil collection (min. 10 different samples)
15109	15209	15309	Diorama/model of a section of earth's crust
15110	15210	15310	Rocks and mineral collection (min. 15 unpolished samples)
15111	15211	15311	Diorama/model of a volcano
15112	15212	15312	Miscellaneous geology exhibit

SECTION C – ECOLOGY

(Relationship of living things to their environment, including entomology, biology, zoology)

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15113	15213	15313	Insect collection (min. 25 specimens in 3 or more orders)
15114	15214	15314	Bark/wood collection (min 15 species)
15115	15215	15315	Leaf/leaf print collection (min. 25 different samples)
15116	15216	15316	Seashell collection (min 15 different samples)
15117	15217	15317	Animal/veterinary science display
15118	15218	15318	Health/safety display
15119	15219	15319	Fishing lure and/or fly collection, label lures and tell for what kind of fish it would be used,

			state whether flies are wet or dry and for what kind of fishing it would be used.
15120	15220	15320	Educational poster, display, etc. about fishing, such as water safety, equipment used, fish habits.
15121	15221	15321	Miscellaneous ecology display

SECTION D- ASTRONOMY

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15122	15222	15322	Weather/Atmosphere Display - Earth or Other Planet
15123	15223	15323	Models or Solar System, Planets and their Moons, etc.
15124	15224	15324	Telescope Models/Diagrams
15125	15225	15325	Miscellaneous Astronomy Exhibits

SECTION E BOTANY

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15126	15226	15326	Weed collection (min. 25 different samples)
15127	15227	15327	Herbaceous wildflower collection (min. 25 different samples)
15128	15228	15328	Annual/perennial garden diagram/plan
15129	15229	15329	Miscellaneous botany exhibit

SECTION F - CHEMISTRY

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15130	15230	15330	Display, chemical composition of common substances
15131	15231	15331	Display, basic chemistry applied for everyday use
15132	15232	15332	Diagram/model, dry cell battery
15133	15233	15333	Diagram/model, wet cell battery
15134	15234	15334	Miscellaneous chemistry exhibit



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SECTION G WOODWORKING

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15135	15235	15335	Wooden birdhouse/feeder (without perch, rule #4)
15136	15236	15336	Small wooden furniture, longest dimension less than 22 inches
15137	15237	15337	Large wooden furniture, longest dimension more than 22 inches
15138	15238	15338	Farm or shop woodwork item
15139	15239	15339	Wooden toy or game
15140	15240	15340	Single piece item, only 1 piece of wood
15141	15241	15341	Multi-piece item, two or more pieces of wood

SECTION H- METAL WORKING

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15142	15242	15342	Utility items-grilles, plant holders, trays
15143	15243	15343	Fireplace accessories
15144	15244	15344	Hand tools
15145	15245	15345	Machined parts
15146	15246	15346	Miscellaneous fabricated/welded exhibit

SECTION I ELECTRICAL

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15147	15247	15347	Lamps
15148	15248	15348	Extension Cords
15149	15249	15349	Drop Lights
15150	15250	15350	Miscellaneous electrical/electronic exhibit

SECTION J- COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15151	15251	15351	Hardware - external I/O device, running, with computer
15152	15252	15352	4-H project, running, with listing and loading instructions
15153	15253	15353	Software - game/other, running, Wii listing and loading instructions
15154	15254	15354	Documentation - user manual, instructions, flow charts, listings display format

SECTION K- EDUCATIONAL SCIENCE EXHIBIT

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15155	15255	15355	Science educational exhibit, ex. shooting sports, sports fishing, recycling, bicycle safety.

SECTION L-ROBOTICS CONTEST

1. See main calendar for contest date and time
2. Contest will follow game rules published for the State contest.
3. Team consist of 3-8 members
4. Registration Deadline – May 15

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
15156	15256	15356	Robotics Contest-Team



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Department 16: Vegetables

Superintendent **Contact Information**
Tiffany Kaminsky 865-405-2667

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Entries must be home grown
2. Entries need to be brought on a plate with tag attached to be displayed

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
16101	16201	16301	Beets, pickling, under 1 ½" 3 with tops off
16102	16202	16302	Beets, slicing, 1 ½" - 2 ½", 3 with tops off
16103	16203	16303	Cabbage, 1 head
16104	16204	16304	Carrots, 3 with tops off
16105	16205	16305	Cucumbers, pickling, 3
16106	16206	16306	Cucumbers, slicing, 3
16107	16207	16307	Eggplant
16108	16208	16308	Onions, white, 3
16109	16209	16309	Onions, yellow, 3
16110	16210	16310	Peppers, bell, 3 with stems
16111	16211	16311	Peppers, banana, 3 with stems
16112	16212	16312	Peppers, hot, 3 with stems
16113	16213	16313	Peppers, any other variety, 3 with stems
16114	16214	16314	Potatoes, 4
16115	16215	16315	Tomatoes, 3 red without stems
16116	16216	16316	Tomatoes, 6 red salad, without stems
16117	16217	16317	Tomatoes, 3 green without stems
16118	16218	16318	Tomatoes, 6 green salad, without stems
16119	16219	16319	Tomatoes, 3 yellow without stems
16120	16220	16320	Tomatoes, Heirloom, 3 without stems. Variety and source of seeds must be identified
16121	16221	16321	Sweet corn, 3 with husk, yellow or white
16122	16222	16322	String beans, 12 green

16123	16223	16323	String beans, 12 wax
16124	16224	16324	Summer squash, yellow bush, 3 with stems
16125	16225	16325	Summer squash, patty pan, scallop, 3 with stems
16126	16226	16326	Summer squash, zucchini, 3 with stems
16127	16227	16327	Broccoli, in jar of water
16128	16228	16328	One melon, any variety
16129	16229	16329	Herbs, leaf, identify, in container of water
16130	16230	16330	Herbs, seed, identify, n container of water
16131	16231	16331	Herb collection in container of water, 5 items, can be both leaf and seed. Must identify.
16132	16232	16332	Vegetable, any other variety. Must identify.
16133	16233	16333	Vegetable collection, a display of at least 5 different kinds of vegetables. At least 3 must be entered in their individual classes.
16134	16234	16334	Vegetable oddity, no man made alterations or decorations
16135	16235	16335	Creative vegetable art, use one or more real vegetables, add odds and ends and let your imagination create a work of art
16136	16236	16336	Creative vegetable art, use one or more real vegetables, no other items allowed



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16137	16237	16337	Any fruit, 3 of one variety
16138	16238	16338	Any berry, 6 of one variety
16139	16239	16339	Vegetable plant (whole) in store bought container- include at least one mature plant potted in soil.
16140	16240	16340	Vegetable plant (whole) in recycled/handmade container- include at least one mature potted plant in soil

16141	16241	16341	Vegetable or fruit educational poster or display - include information pertaining to vegetables or fruits such as preparing your garden, eat healthy with vegetables, how to transplant cuttings, etc.
16142	16242	16342	Kitchen Herb Garden- presented in a planter box measure no more than 12 inches by 6 inches. Minimum of three different herbs and no more than 5. All herbs must be appropriate for safe human consumption.





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ANIMAL DEPARTMENTS

Doris & Bob Kirkland Herdsman Award for Rabbits

All Rabbit Exhibitors Automatically Entered

Award presented to the exhibitor who:

1. Ensures cleanliness of their area
2. Exemplifies the 4-H spirit of “I’ll be glad to.”
3. Ensures animals have water at all times
4. Ensures animals have feed or hay at all times
5. Ensures that rabbit area is kept neat and tidy when present.
6. Has an educational or informational display about their animal
7. Helps others and interacts with the public without being asked to

Past Doris & Bob Kirkland Herdsman Award Winners:

2013 – Sean O’Brien

2019 – Lina Abouchacra

2014 – Ian Moore

2021 – Samantha Doran

2015 – Miller Gruen

2022 – Shelby Kaminsky

2016 – Katrina Yoder

2023 – Samantha Doran

2017 – Peter Sheggrud

2024 – Abigail Schmidt

2018 – Melanie Price

2025 – Morgan Hosier

Livestock Herdsman Award

All livestock Exhibitors Automatically Entered

Award presented to the exhibitor who:

1. Ensures cleanliness of their area
2. Exemplifies the 4-H spirit of “I’ll be glad to.”
3. Ensures animals have water at all times
4. Ensures animals have feed or hay at all times
5. Ensure floor around their animal enclosure is swept
6. Has an educational or informational display about their animal
7. Displays courtesy and consideration to others as well as sportsman like conduct at all times

There will be different volunteers coming through the livestock departments several times each day from 10:00am - 10:00pm to check the condition of your area.



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Showmanship Showdown

Top showman in each species will compete in the Showmanship Showdown

General Rules: The Showmanship Showdown Contest provides an opportunity for the Grand Champions from the 4-H divisions of the large animal species (beef, dairy, sheep, goats and swine) to compete head to head for the best all-around showman honors at the Fair. In this contest, each contestant will rotate from station to station, while being judged on their showmanship skills with each species of animal. The judge will use a numerical scoring system to evaluate each individual at each station, with the winner determined by the total score.

Who is eligible: The Grand Champion from the 4-H divisions of beef, dairy, sheep, meat goat, dairy goat and swine. In the event that a person wins the grand champion showmanship contest in more than one species in a given year, they will be entered into the Showmanship Contest in the first species that they qualified in. No reserve grand champion showman will compete in this event. Animals to be used: Contestants will bring the animal they qualified with back for the showmanship show down. These animals will be used by all contestants as they rotate from species to species. In the rotation, the champion showman will always rotate to the champion showman's animal. Individuals are eligible to win more than once.

Score Sheets: Each individual will begin with the species that they qualified with and then rotate to the other species. In all rotations, contestants will be asked 3 questions (2 points each) and awarded 4 points on how they handle and present the respective specie. This represents 40 possible points. During the first go around an additional 10 points will be awarded on how the contestant presents their own animal (i.e. fitting, grooming, cleanliness, etc.). A total of 50 points will be awarded. Awards: Ribbons will be presented to the participants of the Showmanship contest, but no premiums will be awarded.

Past Showmanship Showdown Winners:

2018 Jordan Brown

2019 Danielle Ryndak

2020 No Fair Due to Pandemic

2021 Alivia Blum

2022 Kelsey Condon

2023 Kelsey Condon

2024 Tori Taylor

2025 Brooke Leaf



Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Scholarship

Scholarship Sponsor: The Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Sale Committee

Effective Date of Award: Summer 2026. To be awarded at the 2026 Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Sale

Award: Proposed scholarship up to (two, 2) \$1,000 scholarships

Objective: To provide funds for furthering education beyond high school

Usage: Fully Accredited College, Trade School or Technical School

Eligibility: Applicant must:

- Be an active member of the Baltimore County 4-H/FFA Program; or have been a Baltimore County 4-H alumni who has not passed their 21st year of age.
- Be a high school graduate or equivalent.
- Have been involved in animal science/livestock project.
- Have sold in the Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Sale at least two times in their 4-H/FFA career with one time as a Senior member (age 14-18)
- Complete application including essay.
- Submit an official Baltimore County 4-H Senior Portfolio (resume and project records) or FFA SAE project record with resume from the previous year or an updated resume if 4-H alumni.
- Submit two letters of recommendation (from volunteers, organizations, teachers, advisors, etc.)
- Previous recipients may not apply.

Application will be given a 2-year consideration.

Applications Due: April 1st

Send to: Livestock Scholarship, P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152 or email

livestocksale@baltimorecounty4hfair.com

Selection Committee: Applications will be reviewed, and applicants interviewed by a Scholarship Selection Committee. The Committee will be comprised of at least one member from the Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Sale Committee, one Extension representative, and one industry representative. All members of the scholarship selection committee will not have any relations with the applicants.

Method of Selection: The application with essay, official Baltimore County 4-H Senior Portfolio (resume and project records) or FFA SAE project record with resume or resume of an alumni, the interview, and letters of recommendation will be used to determine the recipient(s).

Essay: “In what ways will the skills and values you learned through your Livestock Project help you succeed in your future pursuits?” (Essay should not exceed 1,000 words typed, double spaced)

Resume: Current resume should include but not limited to community service, livestock activities, overall contributions to the 4-H/FFA livestock program, 4-H/FFA involvement and extra-curricular activities.

Interview: All applicants must interview with the Selection Committee to be considered for scholarship. The applicant will be notified of the interview date and time.



DAIRY DEPARTMENTS GENERAL RULES

Department 17-Dairy Cows & Heifers

Department 18 Dairy Steers

Department 19 Dairy Goats

Dairy/Tack/Displays released Saturday night at the conclusion of the livestock auction & Sunday morning. No Dairy/Displays/Tack to be taken down/packed up/removed from building before the conclusion of the livestock auction Saturday (Includes decorations, tools, supplies, animals, etc.) However, all Dairy exhibitors must be present on Sunday morning by 8:00am to clean up and help fold/stack pens. Then, sign out with Department Superintendent. Exhibitors who fail to comply with the above or fail to sign out will forfeit premiums

Dairy General Rules:

See General Rules and Regulations

1. Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring, as stated in the General Rules and Regulations.
2. Note: All entries are subject to Animal Health Requirements for Admission to MD Fairs and Shows. Ringworm, Warts, and Skin Infections will be reasons for rejection from the show. Health papers are required and will be checked.
3. All Dairy breeding animals must be registered with the appropriate breed association in the name of the 4-H/FFA member exhibiting the animal by July 1 of the current year. Registration papers are required and will be checked.
5. All Dairy Market and Feeder Steers must be owned and registered by January 1 of the current year, except Dairy Feeder Steers in Class 18105 which must be owned and registered by May 1 of the current year.
6. Leased Dairy animals must have a Lease Agreement signed and on file in the County Extension Office by June 1 of the project year which will be in effect for a twelve (12) month period. The Lease Agreement will be reviewed by the Sponsor and Lessee prior to entering the animal at any Dairy Show to ensure that responsibilities are being carried out by the Lessee. The sponsor will sign for Lessee Compliance in the Lease Agreement.
7. Exhibitors are limited to two (2) entry per Dairy Cow and Heifer classes, two (2) entries per Dairy Goat classes, (2) Market Steers, and (2) Feeder Steers. Each animal must be shown by the owner. Exhibitors with more than one entry in a class may have another 4-H/FFA exhibitor of the same age or younger show an animal. A leased animal may be exhibited in the appropriate Calf and Yearling Classes. An animal may be shown in the Cow classes only if the 4-H youth leased the animal as a Calf or Yearling.
8. All 1st & 2nd place Market Animals must be presented for selection of Grand & Reserve Grand Champions.
9. All exhibits must be in place by the time listed on the fair schedule.
10. Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
 - ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) must be in place prior to arrival at the fairgrounds. Animals without required tags upon arrival to the fairgrounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the Fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.



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- In addition, all Cattle (registered or commercial) must have the US official RFID tag via the producer or vet as required by MDA. NO NON-RFID TAGS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
 - All goats are required to have appropriate scrapie identification.
11. Exhibitors are responsible for the care and feeding of their animals while on the fairgrounds. All stalls must be cleaned before the exhibitors' animals will be released by the Department Superintendent or premiums will be forfeited.
 12. Exhibitors must do their own fitting, including clipping, to be eligible to exhibit in fitting and showing and breed classes. Another 4-H/FFA member may assist with fitting. A UME approved volunteer or parent may provide direction and/or assist with the control of the animal only while being fitted.
 13. Animals are to be kept in their pens or designated areas at all times except for show time or walking to the wash racks. Animals should never be walked in other areas of the barns or fairgrounds. This is for the safety of both the general public and the animal.
 14. Animals being shown in Fitting & Showing classes must be entered and shown in individual breed & age class.
 15. Exhibits may be used for judging classes during the Dairy Judging Contest.



The Purebred Dairy Cattle Association Show Ring Code of Ethics

Adopted February 2025

The showing of registered dairy cattle stimulates and sustains interest in the breeding of registered dairy cattle. It is also an important part of the promotion, merchandising and breeding program of many breeders. For these reasons, the Purebred Dairy Cattle Association (PDCA) believes that it is in the best interest of all breeders of registered dairy cattle to maintain a reputation of integrity in dairy cattle shows and to present a wholesome and progressive image of dairy cattle in the show ring.

PDCA endorses this Show Ring Code of Ethics for all dairy breed shows and pledges its full cooperative support for its enforcement to show management, show judges, and the national breed associations. The application of this Code of Ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this Code of Ethics. Dairy cattle exhibitors shall, at all times, deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship.

It is recognized that there are certain practices in the proper care and management of dairy cattle that are necessary in the course of moving dairy cattle to and between shows that are advisable to keep them in a sound, healthy state so they might be presented in the show ring in a natural, normal condition. At all times, exhibition livestock shall be treated in a humane manner and in accordance with dairy quality assurance practices so as to protect the health, safety and welfare of the livestock and the consuming public. No person shall present for exhibition or exhibit an animal which he or she knows, or has reason to suspect, is affected with or has been exposed to a dangerously contagious or infectious disease, or illegal or nonapproved use of drugs, medication and/or prohibited substance, or residue.

The position of the Purebred Dairy Cattle Association is that all animals presented for exhibition shall be in their natural conformation and structure, free of any alteration or modification by injection or internal or external administration of any substance or by any involvement in unethical fitting.

Grooming and Preparation

Dairy cattle exhibitions are conducted under standards for evaluating conformation established by the PDCA Unified Score Card (2025), with specific breed characteristics taken into consideration by the show judge. In this connection, animals will be groomed and prepared for the judge's evaluation in order to display the animal's natural contour, conformation, performance and mobility. Specifically:

1. Changing the natural color of the animal is prohibited (effective 6/1/2015). However, external applications of cosmetics that affect only appearance may be used, including by way of example hoof polishes and false switches.
2. The maximum allowable length of naturally growing hair anywhere on the topline is not to exceed 1 ½ inches. Exhibitors will be required to comply with this rule before the animal is allowed to enter the ring.



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3. Addition of foreign objects, including but not limited to hair or hair substitutes, cloth or fiber, to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body is prohibited.
4. Externally sealing the teat end with a preparation that does not harm the animal's skin is permissible.
5. Natural teat placement will be given preference over artificially positioned teats.
6. The practice of over bagging the udder, or allowing excessive fill of milk in the mammary system, is strongly discouraged due to the harmful impact on animal comfort and health. Any signs of this could result in competition disqualification.

Violations: False, Deceptive or Unacceptable Practices

These practices are violations of the Code of Ethics and will be reported to show management and may be reported to the respective national breed associations:

1. Misrepresenting the age, milking status and/or lactation number of the animal for the class in which it is shown.
2. Treating the animal, particularly the udder, internally or externally:
 - a. with an irritant or counterirritant,
 - b. using a device to artificially create or enhance the udder crease,
 - i. using other substances as detected by testing that causes changes in the udder to artificially improve the conformation.
 - c. no substance that is not approved by FDA or prescribed by veterinarian may be administered to the mammary system including the teat canal.
3. Surgical or unethical insertion of any matter under the skin or into body cavities, performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body (e.g., administration of fluid via a stomach tube or other similar apparatus to fill the rumen), though not to preclude practices required or involved in normal management.
4. Criticizing or interfering with the judge, show management or other exhibitors while in the show ring or other conduct detrimental to the breed or the show.
5. Challenging, threatening or interfering with an ethics committee appointed by show management to monitor the animals on exhibit on the show grounds.

Exhibitor Responsibility

The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter and/or absolutely responsible person (hereinafter referred to as "Exhibitor") for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, milk, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Materials may also be collected by ultrasound and photographic methods and by direct examination of animal. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter and/or absolutely responsible person (the "Exhibitor") to have disciplinary action for violation of this Show Ring Code of Ethics taken by show management, the state in which the show occurs, and/or the national dairy breed association without recourse.



Show Ethics Committee

Each show should have an Ethics Committee. The make-up of this committee should include official breed representatives, representative(s) of show management (e.g., dairy cattle show superintendent, General Manager), the official show veterinarian, and Extension representative. The Ethics Committee will be responsible for monitoring violations of the Show Ring Code of Ethics. The Ethics Committee will investigate the report of any violation and determine the accuracy of the allegation. The Ethics Committee will have the authority to inspect animals and related material to determine if violations have occurred.

Violations: Reporting and Investigation

Complaints of alleged violations can be reported to the breed superintendent, the show superintendent, show management, and/or the Ethics Committee.

Before An Animal is Shown

If the Ethics Committee suspects that a violation of the Show Ring Code of Ethics will occur if the animal is shown, and that violation is reasonably well established before the animal is shown, the Ethics Committee will submit a report to show management. Show management will discuss the violation with the Exhibitor:

1. If, at the Exhibitor's discretion, the animal in question is not shown, no violation will have occurred.
2. If the Exhibitor wishes to challenge that a violation occurred, he/she/they will have opportunity to appeal to the Ethics Committee. If its decision is not changed, the Exhibitor will be denied opportunity to exhibit the animal in question.

During and After An Animal is Shown

All animals are subject to examination during judging. The judge and Ethics Committee are instructed to examine the top five (5) animals in each class closely for violations of the Show Ring Code of Ethics. When a violation may have occurred, a milkout may be called for. This call may be by breed association rule, or by request of an authorized representative of the national breed association, the judge, the Ethics Committee, or show management.

If an animal is exhibited and a violation of the Show Ring Code of Ethics is subsequently suspected, investigated, and determined to have occurred, the violation will be reported to the Ethics Committee and show management for action. The Exhibitor will be notified of the violation and the supporting evidence and invited to defend or explain the allegations. Violations are subject to the disciplinary provisions of show management, the state in which the show occurs, and the national dairy breed association. Sanctions may include any one, or combination of the following:

- forfeiture or return of awards, prizes, premiums or proceeds;
- written letter of reprimand to the owner, exhibitor, fitter and/or absolutely responsible person (the "Exhibitor");
- disqualification of the exhibition livestock from an exhibition;
- disqualification of the Exhibitor from the show;
- publication of offense.



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Disqualification may include any or all shows and classes and may be for any number of years.

History: Adopted by PDCA in March 1969, revised March 1971, February 1977, February 1981, February 1986, February 1988, February 1989, February 1992, February 1993, November 1995, April 2002; April 2004, May 2015, February 2025.



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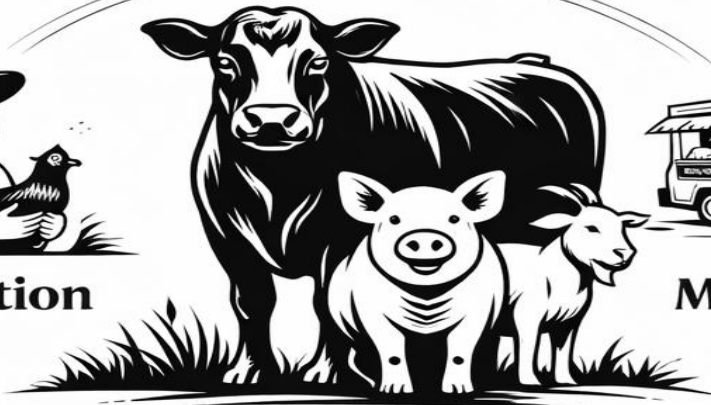
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Department 17: Dairy Cows and Heifers

Superintendent **Contact Information**
Laura Wheeler 717-825-6304

Proposed Premiums: \$16.00 per animal shown

Please check fair website for any updates on showing.

SPECIFIC RULES:

ALL CATTLE:

IDENTIFICATION: INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION OF EACH ANIMAL SHALL BE A RFID OFFICIAL EAR TAG.

MARYLAND CATTLE:

Brucellosis: Maryland is a Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland cattle.

Tuberculosis: Maryland is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Maryland cattle.

Immunization: Bovine Respiratory Complex is required on all Maryland cattle to include Bovine Respiratory Syncytial Virus, Bovine Viral Diarrhea, Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis and Parainfluenza. Leptospirosis vaccination is recommended.

OUT-OF-STATE CATTLE:

Brucellosis:

- a) Bovine Brucellosis Class Free State, Region or Zone
- b) No brucellosis test required.

Non-Bovine Brucellosis Class Free State, Region or Zone

- a) Official vaccinates under 24 months old with vaccination dates recorded on the Interstate CVI permitted, or
- b) Test negative within 30 days before entry.

Tuberculosis:

- a) Accredited Tuberculosis Free States, Region or Zone
- b) No tuberculin test required.

Modified Accredited Advanced or lower Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)

All cattle over 6 months of age shall comply with the following:

- a) Cattle must originate from a herd where a complete herd test was conducted within the past 12 months; progeny from such herds born since that test may be imported without a tuberculin test, **or**
- b) Any individual animal, over 6 months, entering Maryland must have a negative tuberculin test within 60 days before import.

Status of herd and area must be shown on certificate.

1. All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations, all Dairy Department Rules and Regulations both general and specific, and 4-H and PDCA codes of ethics.
2. Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring.
3. A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. These non-refundable fees must be mailed to Baltimore County 4-H Fair, INC. Attention: Registration P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152 by June 1st or paid online using the Blue Ribbon System.



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4. All exhibits must be in place on Tuesday by 8:00pm.
 - i) Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
 - ii) All required ear tags (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) must be in place prior to arrival at the fairgrounds. Animals without required tags upon arrival to the fairgrounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the Fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
 - iii) In addition, all Cattle (registered or commercial) must have the US official RFID tag via the producer or vet as required by MDA. No non-RFID tags will be accepted.
5. Exhibitors are required to present their show numbers.
6. Exhibitors are expected to be ready and at ringside with their animals during the class prior to which they are exhibiting or when they are called for. It will be at the judge's discretion to allow/place entries that arrive late.
7. Exhibitors must do their own fitting, including clipping, to be eligible to exhibit in fitting, showing and breed classes. Another 4-H/FFA youth may assist with fitting. **A UME approved volunteer or parent may provide direction and/or assist with the control of the animal only while being fitted.**
8. Exhibitors are encouraged to bring their own original displays and signage.
9. Online entries—be prepared to type Animal Name, Sire/Dam Registry #, Farm Tag #, DOB – date of birth, Gender.

SECTION A-FITTING & SHOWMANSHIP

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
17101	17201	17301	Fitting and Showmanship

BREED SHOW

SECTION	SECTION BREED
B	Ayrshire
C	Brown Swiss
D	Guernsey
E	Holstein
F	Jersey
G	Lineback
H	Milking Shorthorn

SECTION B-H

	Class
17102	Heifer, Spring Calf Born March 1, 2026 through April 30, 2026
17103	Heifer, Winter Calf Born Dec 1, 2025 through Feb 28, 2026

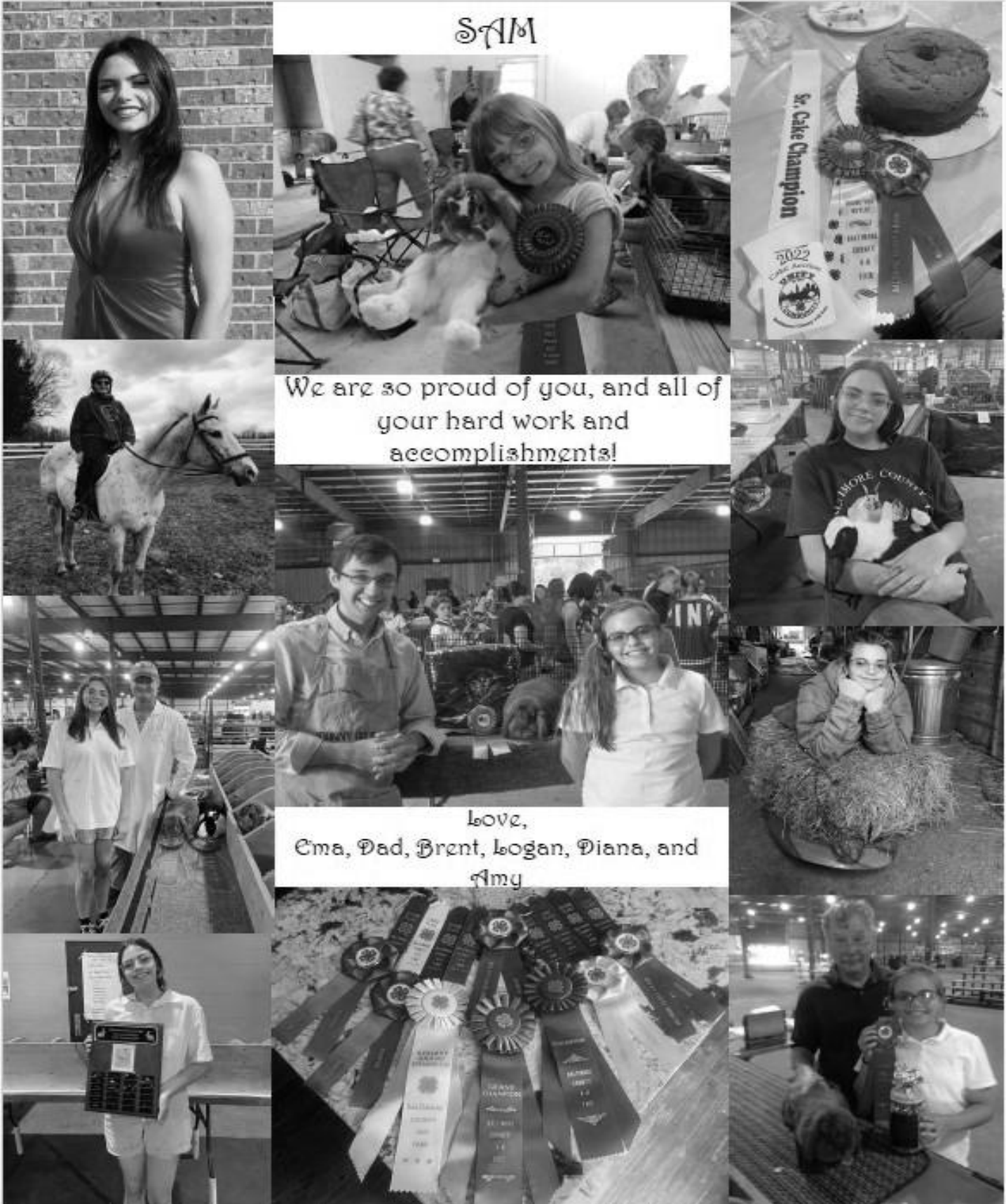
17104	Heifer, Fall Calf Born Sept 1, 2025 through Nov 30, 2025
17105	Heifer, Summer Yearling Born June 1, 2025 through Aug 31, 2025
17106	Heifer, Spring Yearling Born March 1, 2025 through May 31, 2025
17107	Heifer, Winter Yearling Born Dec 1, 2025 through Feb 28, 2025
17108	Heifer, Fall Yearling Born Sept 1, 2025 through Nov 30, 2025
17109	Cow, Junior, 2 yr. Old Born March 1, 2024 through Aug 31, 2024
17110	Cow, Senior, 2 yr. Old Born Sept 1, 2023 through Feb 28, 2024
17111	Cow, 3 Years Old Born Sept 1, 2022 through Aug 31, 2023
17112	Cow, 4 Years and older, Born before Sept 1, 2022
17113	Dry Cow, Any Age, must have calved at least once

SECTION I-BRED AND OWNED

	Class
17114	Bred and Owned - You must be showing an animal in Sections B, C, D, E, F, G, or H to be eligible to enter this class



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Department 18: Dairy Steers

Superintendent	Contact Information
Brenda Strohmer	410-790-7248
Laura Wheeler	717-825-6304

Proposed Premiums: \$16.00 per animal shown

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in MD. Exhibitors must comply with General Rules and Regulations and Livestock Department and Dairy Department Rules and Regulations.
2. Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring.
3. A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. These non-refundable fees must be mailed to Baltimore County 4-H Fair, INC. Attention: Registration P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152 by June 1st or paid online using the Blue Ribbon System. Note: This fee is separate from the tagging fee assessed by the Maryland 4-H Program to purchase the animal ear tag.
4. Market and Feeder steers must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must have been owned and registered with the County Extension Office.
5. Exhibitor must be present for health paper check.
6. Steers must be dehorned, castrated and healed before the show.
7. All cattle must display required Maryland 4-H Market Livestock Ear Tag or Maryland FFA Livestock Ear Tag or identification tag or tattoo. Tags must be in place on cattle upon arrival.
8. All exhibits must be in place on Tuesday by 8:00pm.
 - i) Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
 - ii) All required ear tags (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA tag RFID tag, scrapie tag) must be in place prior to arrival at the fairgrounds. Animals without required tags upon arrival to the fairgrounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the Fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
 - iii) In addition, all Cattle (registered or commercial) must have the US official RFID tag via the producer or vet as required by MDA. **NO NON-RFID TAGS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
10. Exhibitors may enter a total of two Feeder Steers and two Market Steers, Section B.
11. Feeder calves must be under 1 year of age. Market Steers must be born January 1, 2024 or after. Provisions for Light and Heavy Weight Classes will be made only if the number of entries warrant.
12. All 1st & 2nd place Market Animals must be presented for selection of Grand & Reserve Grand Champions.
13. Grand Champion Steer must grade and be sold at the Livestock Sale. Exhibitor of the Reserve Grand Champion Steer may elect to sell if the animal grades. The animals must meet quality standards and be graded by the Grading Committee.
14. All exhibitors who sell in the Livestock Sale must comply with the Livestock Sale rules. Only steers exhibited in the show may sell if they meet quality standards as determined by the Grading Committee.



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15. Online entries–be prepared to type Animal, Name Sire/Dam, Registry #, Farm Tag#,
DOB – date of birth, gender

SECTION A FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP

	Class
18101	Novice – 1st year showing, any age
18102	Jr. Fitting and Showing
18103	Int. fitting and Showing
18104	Sr. Fitting and Showing

SECTION B MARKET DAIRY STEERS

Note: Weight classes to be determined after weigh-in

	Class
18105	Feeder Dairy Steer – Born between 1/1/2026 & 4/30/2026 (Tagged May 2026)
18106	Feeder Dairy Steer – Born between 8/1/2025 & 12/31/2025
18107	Market Dairy Steer – 1,000 lbs. to 1,500 with 25- pound tolerance on the top end) lbs. Born on or after 1/1/2023



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Department 19: Dairy Goats

Superintendent Contact Information
VACANT

Proposed Premiums: \$14.00 per animal shown

SPECIFIC RULES:

All goats are required to have appropriate scrapie-identification

- Note: All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in MD. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations and all Dairy Department Rules and Regulations.
 - Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in the show ring, as clearly stated in the General Rules and Regulations.
 - A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. Non-refundable fees must be mailed to Baltimore County 4-H Fair, INC. Attention: Registration P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152 by June 1st or paid online using the Blue Ribbon System.
 - All Dairy goats must be registered with the American Dairy Goat Association by July 1st.
1. Leased dairy goats must comply with Dairy General Rules. The Sponsor must sign the section on Lessee Compliance in the Lease Agreement. A copy of the signed Lease Agreement needs to be submitted to the County Office.
 - a. All goats must have a readable tattoo. Any goat not scrapie identified or with a tattoo that is not clearly readable will not be accepted for entry in the fair. Only LaMancha goats will be identified by tattoos in the tail web. ADGA Tattoos accepted with appropriate Registration Certificate
 2. All goats must be hornless or dehorned.
 3. All exhibits must be in place on Tuesday by 8:00pm.
 - a. Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers (CVI) available at all times.
 4. Classes are divided according to the age of the animal.
 5. Fitting and showing classes are divided by age of the exhibitor.
 6. Exhibitors are permitted to make two entries per class in Section B, regardless of breed. Entries in classes 19110 to 19116 must have been shown individually in a class 19102 to 19109.
 7. Exhibitors are permitted to substitute one animal for another in the same class that is already entered to show.
 8. All animals must remain on the grounds until the prescribed release time. If animals are removed early, the exhibitor will forfeit all premiums and ribbons.
 9. Animals are to be kept in their pens or designated areas at all times except for show time. Animals should never be walked in other areas of the barns or fairgrounds. This is for the safety of the general public and the animal.



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10. Online entries–be prepared to type:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Exhibitor Name b. Animal Name c. Registration Number d. Left Ear/ Tail Tattoo e. Right Ear / Tail Tattoo f. Animal Breed g. Animal DOB | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> h. Animal Gender i. If leased, Owner’s name j. Commercial animals do not need: Registration Number, Left Ear/ Tail Tattoo, Right Ear / Tail Tattoo |
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SECTION A – FITTING & SHOWING

Novice	Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
19001	19101	19201	19301	Fitting & Showing

SECTION B-DAIRY BREEDING GOATS

	Class
19102	Junior Kid – 4 months – 2 months old (March – May of current year)
19103	Senior Kid – 6 months – 5 months old (January/February of current year)
19104	Dry Yearling – – Does under 2 years of age that have not freshened
19105	Milking Yearling, – Does under 2 years of age that have freshened
19106	Doe in Milk, 2 years old
19107	Doe in Milk, 3 years old
19108	Doe in Milk, 4 and 5 years old
19109	Aged Doe in Milk, 6 years and older

SECTION C-GROUP AND COMMERCIAL CLASSES

19110 – 19117 must have been shown in a Section B class.

	Class
19110	Dam & Daughter – Mother and 1 Daughter
19111	Get of Sire - 2 does fathered by same sire. (Sire need not be owned by Exhibitor)
19112	Produce of Dam – 2 does (have been shown under Section) mothered by same Dam. (Dam need not be owned by Exhibitor)
19113	Best Udder- May require milking out of doe, at the Judge’s discretion.
19114	Dairy Herd – 3 does of any age, all owned by Exhibitor
19115	Doe Bred & Owned – 1 doe currently owned by exhibitor and dam owned by exhibitor at time of birth
19116	Leased Goat - judged on general appearance of animal and Exhibitor knowledge of project
19117	Commercial Dairy Goat – wethers, does who have not freshened within a year

SECTION D-SPECTATOR CLASS

Fun Only class for 4-H/FFA members and immediate family members not showing in the goat show. For biosecurity and liability reasons and the safety of the animal, the general public is not allowed to participate. No pre-registration required. If you would like to show in this class, contact a Dept. Superintendent the day of the show. All entries given a ribbon.





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LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENTS

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. See General Rules and Regulations
2. All entries are subject to Animal Health Requirements for Admission to MD Fairs and Shows.
3. All Beef, Goat, Sheep and Swine breeding animals must be registered with the appropriate Breed Association in the name of the 4-H/FFA Member exhibiting the animal by July 1. This includes all bred and owned animals as well as purchased. Registration papers are required and will be checked.
4. Leased breeding animals must have a Lease Agreement signed and on file in the County Extension Office by June 1 of the project year which will be in effect for a twelve (12) month period. The Lease Agreement will be reviewed by the Sponsor and Lessee prior to entering the animal at any Show to ensure that responsibilities are being carried out by the Lessee. The sponsor will sign for Lessee Compliance in the Lease Agreement.
5. Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring, as clearly stated in the General Rules and Regulations.
6. Exhibitors are limited to one (1) entry per class except Beef, Hogs, Market Goats, Rabbits, Sheep, and Poultry. See Department Rules for exceptions. Each animal must be shown by the owner.
7. Exhibitors with more than one entry in a class may have another 4-H/FFA exhibitor of the same age or younger show an animal. No leased animals allowed in market classes.
8. See the fair schedule to determine when exhibits need to be in place, except Poultry & Rabbits which are received on Tuesday from 3:00 – 6:00pm, and Cavies which are received on Friday from 4:00 – 6:00pm.
9. Ownership Registration Deadlines:
 - a. Beef Steers – January 1 of current year
 - b. Market Lambs, Swine, Goats – May 1 of current year
 - c. Meat Pen Rabbits - May 1 of current year
10. See fair schedule for all weigh-in / vet check / entry times.
 - a. Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
 - b. ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) MUST BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. Animals without required tags upon arrival to the fairground will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
 - c. In addition, all Cattle and Swine (registered or commercial) must have the US official RFID tag via the producer or vet as required by MDA. NO NON-RFID TAGS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON CATTLE AND SWINE.
 - d. All sheep and goats are required to have appropriate scrapie identification.
 - e. Poultry must arrive with test results of negative testing for Pullorum-Typhoid and Avian Influenza.
 - f. Rabbits must arrive with an individual identification of each animal; a tag, tattoo or microchip if the exhibitor provides the reader.
11. All 4-H/FFA youths exhibiting livestock must abide by the Maryland 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics.



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12. 4-H/FFA Members must do their own fitting to exhibit in the Fitting and Showing Classes and the Breed Classes.
13. Animals being shown in a Fitting and Showing class must be entered and shown in one of the classes for individual animals.
14. All 1st & 2nd place Market Animals must be presented for selection of Grand & Reserve Grand Champions.
15. No animals will be permitted on the fairgrounds except those entered in the BALTIMORE COUNTY 4-H FAIR. NO COMPANION ANIMALS ALLOWED. Only animals (beef, goat, poultry, rabbit, sheep, equine and swine) entered and being shown are permitted on the fairgrounds.
16. Exhibitors are responsible for the care and feeding of their animals while on the fairgrounds.
17. Animals should be kept in their pens or designated areas at all times except for show time or walking to the wash racks. Animals should never be walked in other areas of the barns or fairgrounds. This is for the safety of both the general public and the animal.
18. Livestock exhibits may be used for judging classes during the Livestock Judging Contest.

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Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Auction

Saturday

Buyers Reception 5:30 pm

Livestock Sale at 7:00 pm

The following rules will apply:

1. To be eligible to participate in the County 4-H Livestock Sale, sale participants must have completed and submitted to the County 4-H Office, a 4-H Project Record on their market livestock project(s) sold at the previous year's sale. FFA Members need to submit to the 4-H Fair board a copy of their SAE record book. Failure to submit project records will result in ineligibility for the current sale.
 - a) **Exception:** If this is the first year in which the 4H-er / FFA member is completing a livestock project then the youth is permitted to sell the animal with the understanding that participation in future sales are contingent on project record completion and submission of their market livestock project record books to the extension office.
2. Exhibitors are expected to present their animal for sale during the Auction. Exhibitors can contact the Sale Committee for questions.
3. All Exhibitors must wear appropriate species show clothes.
4. A Selection Committee will review Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion animals and all animals nominated by exhibitors for sale and determine which will be sold in the sale. The Committee's decision will be final. The Selection Committee will consist of the Judge, a board member, and one member of the Sale Committee. The Department Superintendent will facilitate the Selection Committee's decision process.
5. Fees (commission) will be deducted from sale checks at a 4% flat rate across all species.
6. Each seller of beef and dairy steers will have the \$1.00 mandatory check-off deducted from each animal sold. This money, by law, is sent to the National Beef Council and is used to promote sales of beef on the retail level.
7. Each seller of a hog will have the Pork Checkoff rate is \$0.35 per every \$100 of the sale price deducted from their sale check. This money, by law, is sent to the National Pork Council and is used to promote the sales of pork at the retail level. For example, if you sell a market hog for \$200.00, you would multiply that amount times 0.0035 ($200 \times 0.0035 = \$0.70$).
8. Each seller of a Lamb will have \$.007 per pound plus a \$.42 per head processor fee deducted for the lamb check-off. This money, by law, is sent to the Lamb Check-off Board. Example: 110 lb. @ .007 - \$.55 + \$.42 Total - \$.85.
9. The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of each species must grade and be sold through the sale with the exception of steers, whereby the exhibitor may elect not to sell the Reserve Grand Champion. In lieu of the commission fee, 5% of the sale price of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be deducted from the sale check.
10. Each exhibitor may sell a maximum of ONE animal of each species. Beef and Dairy steers, Goats, Swine and Sheep must make grade by the selection committee. The Sale will sell a maximum of: 20 Beef Steers; 20 Dairy Steers; 25 Lambs; 75 Hogs; 20 Goats; and 1 pen of Rabbits. Note: If fewer animals are nominated for the Sale than the limit indicated above for any species, exhibitors can nominate an additional animal in that species for a lottery drawing process to fill the vacant slots for that species.



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11. The exhibitors who want to nominate a Beef Steer, Dairy Steer, Goat, Lamb or Hog for the Sale, which meet the weight requirements during weigh-in, will be required to bring the animal(s) to the show ring following the respective Show. Selection Committee will grade the animals. At that time, a final determination will be made of those eligible for the sale.
12. Beef, Dairy Steers, Goats, Sheep, and Swine eligible for sale must display the proper farm and Maryland 4- H/FFA Market Livestock Ear Tags. Lamancha Goats will be tattooed into the tail web and 4- H/FFA youths given the tag. To be eligible for the sale, all livestock must meet the fitting requirements of their respective show.
13. Rabbit Meat Pens shall consist of three rabbits, all the same breed and variety, age limit not over ten weeks, weight not over 5 lbs. per rabbit. The 4-H/FFA youth must provide a box with food and water containers for the buyer.
14. **Stamped “Thank You” notes from the seller to the buyer must be approved and in the committee’s possession before the check for the livestock will be mailed out. An orientation to discuss requirements will be held prior to the Sale.**
15. Show weight and sale weight will be the same and will be determined prior to the show.
16. The sale will be held in the Show Ring 1. The Committee will not handle private treaty sales.
17. Exhibitors have a responsibility and are encouraged to recruit several buyers for the sale.
18. The committee is not responsible for obtaining buyers for animals entered into the sale.
19. Minimum and maximum Sale weights for each species shall be: (5 lb. tolerance)
 - Beef Steers 1,100 – 1,500 lbs. (with a 25-pound tolerance on the top end only)
 - Dairy Steers 1,000 – 1,500 lbs. (with a 25-pound tolerance on the top end only)
 - Lambs 90 – 155 lbs. (5-pound tolerance both ends)
 - Hogs 225 – 285 lbs. (5-pound tolerance both ends)
 - Goats 75 – 130 lbs. (5-pound tolerance both ends)
 - Rabbits 3 @ 2 – 5 lbs. (no tolerance)
 - Turkeys – Hens 15 lbs. minimum (no tolerance)
 - Turkeys-Toms 20 lbs. minimum (no tolerance)
20. Rabbits will be sold by the pen and goats and turkeys by the head, not by the pound.
21. Weigh master must turn in weight tickets at least 1 hour before the sale to the sale chairperson.
22. Animals which do not meet the sale’s weight requirements will not be sold.
23. The Baltimore County 4-H Livestock Sale Committee will not be liable for any sale animal after the sale.
24. The 4-H leasing program is for breeding animals only!
25. In the event that a carcass of a livestock sale animal is condemned by the USDA inspectors, within five working days of the sale, the buyer will be given a choice of a full refund of the sale price or replacement of an equal quality and weight animal of the respective species, by the exhibitor.
26. All livestock sold during the auction and not removed from the grounds on Saturday night, must be cared for by the exhibitor following the Sale until Sunday noon or until the animal is released from the fairgrounds. Check with the person who releases animals for the Sale for any other arrangements.



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27. Approaching the buyer of your animal before or after the sale to switch an animal s/he has purchased is not allowed. This is a terminal sale – no animal that goes through the sale can be shown at any other 4-H or FFA show.

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Department 20: Beef

Superintendent	Contact Information
Brenda Strohmer	410-790-7248
Laura Wheeler	717-825-6304

Proposed Premiums: \$16.00 per animal shown

SPECIFIC RULES:

ALL CATTLE

IDENTIFICATION: INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFICATION OF EACH ANIMAL SHALL BE A RFID OFFICIAL EAR TAG.

Maryland Cattle

Brucellosis: Maryland is a Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland cattle.

Tuberculosis: Maryland is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Maryland cattle.

Immunization: Bovine Respiratory Complex is required on all Maryland cattle to include Bovine Respiratory Syncytial Virus, Bovine Viral Diarrhea, Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis and Parainfluenza. Leptospirosis vaccination is recommended.

Out-of-State Cattle

Brucellosis:

- Bovine Brucellosis Class Free State, Region or Zone
- No brucellosis test required.

Non-Bovine Brucellosis Class Free State, Region or Zone

- Official vaccinates under 24 months old with vaccination dates recorded on the Interstate CVI permitted, **or**
- Test negative within 30 days before entry.

Tuberculosis:

- Accredited Tuberculosis Free States, Region or Zone
- No tuberculin test required.

Modified Accredited Advanced or lower Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)

All cattle over 6 months of age shall comply with the following:

- Cattle must originate from a herd where a complete herd test was conducted within the past 12 months; progeny from such herds born since that test may be imported without a tuberculin test, or
- Any individual animal, over 6 months, entering Maryland must have a negative tuberculin test within 60 days before import.

Status of herd and area must be shown on certificate.

1. Note: All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations and all Livestock Department Rules and Regulations.
2. Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring, as clearly stated in the General Rules and Regulations.
3. A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. THESE NON-REFUNDABLE FEES MUST BE MAILED TO Baltimore County 4-H Fair, INC. Attention: Registration



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P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152 by June 1st or paid online using the Blue Ribbon System. This fee is separate from the tagging fee assessed by the MD 4-H Program to purchase the animal ear tag.

4. Market steers must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must have been owned and registered with the County Extension Office by January 1 of current year.
5. Breeding heifers must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must have been owned and registered with the appropriate Breed Association in the name of the exhibitor by July 1 of the current year. Leased beef heifers must comply with Livestock Department General Rule #4. The Sponsor must sign the section on Lessee Compliance in the Lease Agreement.
6. All exhibits must be in place by the time specified on the schedule.
 - Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
 - **ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA tag RFID tag, scrapie tag) MUST BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS.** Animals without required tags upon arrival to the fairgrounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the Fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
 - In addition, all Cattle (registered or commercial) must have the US official RFID tag via the producer or vet as required by MDA. **NO NON-RFID TAGS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
7. Exhibitors may enter a total two animals per class in Sections B to I.
8. Weight class by breed determined after weights received.
9. Entries in classes with less than 2 entries will be combined and shown in Section G, Other Breed Heifers, as appropriate unless otherwise directed by the show superintendent.
10. Entries in classes with less than 2 entries will be combined and shown in class #20106, Other Breed Market Steers, as appropriate unless otherwise directed by the show superintendent.
11. All 1st & 2nd place Market Animals must be presented for selection of Grand & Reserve Grand Champions.
12. Grand Champion Steer must grade and be sold at the Livestock Sale. Exhibitor of the Reserve Grand Champion Steer may elect to sell if the animal grades. The animals must meet quality standards and be graded by the Grading Committee.
13. All Beef exhibitors who sell in the Livestock Sale must comply with the Livestock Sale rules. Only steers exhibited in the show may sell if they meet quality standards as determined by the Grading Committee.
14. The number of animals that the exhibitor may sell will be determined by the Grading Committee.
15. A neck lead is required on all beef animals. Animals must be kept in their pens or designated areas at all times except for show time or walking to the wash racks. Animals should never be walked in other areas of the barns or fairgrounds. This is for the safety of both the general public and the animal.
16. **ALL 4-H BEEF DEPARTMENT SHOWS (SHOWMANSHIP, STEERS, & HEIFERS) WILL BE UNFITTED. This means animals can only be washed and blown out with NO adhesives, show foam, coloring agents, paints, oils, or other fitting aids allowed to prepare cattle for show. Exhibitors ARE allowed to use hair**



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and skin care products and conditioners (such as Revive, Kleen Sheen) as part of the regular daily grooming and hair maintenance of their beef cattle while at County Fair. Animals may be subject to being wiped with a white towel, cloth, etc. as they report to the make-up area and show ring.

SECTION A-SHOWMANSHIP

Novice	Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
20001	20101	20201	20301	Fitting & Showing

SECTION B-MARKET STEERS

Registration papers from the breed association must be available for review.

Note: weight classes will be determined after weigh-in for each breed of Market Steers

	Class
20102	Registered Angus Market Steer
20103	Registered Hereford Market Steer
20104	Registered Shorthorn Market Steer
20105	Registered Simmental Market Steer
20106	Registered Other Breed Market Steer
20107	Crossbred Market Steer

REGISTERED BEEF HEIFERS

SECTION C – ANGUS BEEF HEIFERS

SECTION D – HEREFORD BEEF HEIFERS

SECTION E – SHORTHORN BEEF HEIFERS

SECTION F – SIMMENTAL BEEF HEIFERS

SECTION G – OTHER BREEDS BEEF HEIFERS

	Classes
20108	Junior calf born 1/1/2026 or after
20109	Late senior calf born between 11/1/2025 & 12/31/2025
20110	Early senior calf born between 9/1/2025 & 10/31/2025
20111	Late summer yearling born between 7/1/2025 & 8/31/2025
20112	Early summer yearling born between 5/1/2025 & 6/30/2025
20113	April junior yearling born between 4/1/2025 & 4/30/2025
20114	March junior yearling born between 3/1/2025 & 3/31/2025
20115	Junior yearling born between 1/1/2025 & 2/28/2025
20116	Senior yearling born between 9/1/24 & 12/31/24
20117	Cow with natural calf at side, calf born after 1/1/2026

SECTION H – COMMERCIAL BEEF HEIFERS

	Classes
20118	Classes will be divided by weight.



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SECTION I – BULL CALVES

	Classes
20119	Bull Calf, Calved after January 1, 2026

SECTION J - 4-H CLUB GROUP

	Classes
20120	4-H Club Group, to consist of 3 animals owned and exhibited by 3 different club members belonging to the same club. May be breeding or market animals and they do not have to be of the same breed.

SECTION K-BRED AND OWNED

	Class
20121	Bred and Owned Market Steer – You must be showing an animal in Section B to be eligible to enter this class
20122	Bred and Owned Heifers - You must be showing an animal in Sections C, D, E, F, G, or H to be eligible to enter this class



Department 21: Meat Goats

Superintendent	Contact Information
Laura Wheeler	717-825-6304
Dale Wheeler	443-392-8100
Lisa Wheeler	410-800-5105

Proposed Premiums: \$14.00 per animal shown

SPECIFIC RULES:

ALL GOATS

Identification for Goats: All goats must be officially scrapie-identified. Official identification for goats includes the following:

USDA-approved Scrapie ear tags;

- Legible registration tattoos, for which the registration paper shall accompany the animals; or
- Legible tattoos consisting of an individual animal number unique within the flock in one ear and the official scrapie premises identification number (flock ID) in the other ear, except that the tail web or flank may be used for earless animals or animals with damaged ears and must be accompanied by an owner statement.
- A microchip ID with official scrapie identification is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.

Maryland Goats

- **Brucellosis:** Maryland is a Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland goats.
- **Tuberculosis:** Maryland is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Maryland goats.

Out-of-State Goats

Tuberculosis:

1. Accredited Tuberculosis Free States, Region or Zone: No tuberculin test required.
2. Modified Accredited Advanced or lower Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
3. All goats over 6 months of age shall comply with the following:
 - a. Goats must originate from herds in which all animals are tested negative within past 12 months; progeny from such herds born since that test, may be imported without a tuberculin test, or
 - b. Any individual animal entering Maryland must have a negative tuberculin test within 60 days before import.
4. Status of herd and area must be shown on certificate.

DEPARTMENT RULES:

- 1) Note: All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations and all Livestock Department Rules and Regulations.
- 2) Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring, as clearly stated in the General Rules & Regulations.
- 3) A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. Non- Refundable Fees Must Be Mailed TO Baltimore County 4-H Fair, INC. Attention: Registration P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD



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- 21152 by June 1st or paid online using the Blue Ribbon System. This fee is separate from the tagging fee assessed by the MD 4-H Program to purchase the animal ear tag.
- 4) Market goats must be owned & registered with the County Extension Office by May 1 of the current year.
 - 5) Market goats and commercial does and bucks must be tagged with a MD 4-H Livestock tag prior to arrival at the fair.
 - 6) All goats must be officially scrapie identified, tag or a READABLE TATTOO. Any goat not scrapie identified or with a tattoo that is not clearly readable will not be accepted for entry in the fair.
 - 7) Meat goats will be allowed to have horns. Horns should be tipped blunt. Blunting (also called tipping) simply means removing the pointy tip of the horn.
 - 8) Breeding classes will be divided according to the age of the animal.
 - 9) All exhibits must be in place by the time specified on the fair schedule.
 - 10) Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
 - 11) ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA tag RFID tag, scrapie tag) MUST BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. Animals without required tags upon arrival to the fairgrounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the Fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
 - 12) All goats are required to have appropriate scrapie identification.
 - 13) Exhibitors are allowed to enter four market goats, Section B, and two Breeding animals in each class, Sections C and D.
 - 14) Goats in Pair Class 21103 must be shown in Class 21102
 - 15) A goat cannot be entered in both a breeding and market class.
 - 16) Exhibitors are permitted to substitute one animal for another in the same class.
 - 17) Market goats must weigh a minimum of 50 lbs. to be shown in the meat goat show. Meat goats must meet the minimum weight of 75 lbs. and a maximum of 130 lbs. (with a 5-pound tolerance on both ends) to qualify for the livestock auction.
 - 18) Only wether & doe kids can be shown in market classes.
 - 19) Market goats must be less than one year in age & have their milk teeth & may not show any breaking or eruption of either of the two permanent front teeth.
 - 20) Market Goats must be shown uniformly body clipped, no more than 3/8" long above the knees & hocks.
 - 21) All wether kids must be completely healed. At the superintendent's discretion, wether kids showing signs of testicle presence will be examined further to determine eligibility.
 - 22) All 1st & 2nd place Market Animals must be presented for selection of Grand & Reserve Grand Champions.
 - 23) All animals must remain on the grounds until the prescribed release time. If animals are removed early, exhibitor will forfeit all premiums and ribbons.
 - 24) Animals are to be kept in their pens or designated areas at all times except for show time. Animals should never be walked in other areas of the barns or fairgrounds. This is for the safety of the general public and the animal.
 - 25) Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market goats must grade & be sold at the Livestock Sale. Animals must meet quality standards & will be graded by the Grading Committee.



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- 26) All Market goat exhibitors who sell in Livestock Sale must comply with the Livestock Sale rules. Only Market Goats exhibited in the market goat show may sell if they meet quality standards as determined by Grading Committee.
- 27) Market Goats eligible for the sale require a 4-H/FFA ear tag. Lamancha goats will have the 4-H/FFA ear tag number tattooed into the tail web. The 4-H/FFA youth must have the tag in their possession.
- 28) **The 4-H MEAT GOAT DEPARTMENT SHOW WILL BE UNFITTED. This means animals can only be washed and blown out with NO adhesives, show foam, coloring agents, paints, oils, or other fitting aids allowed to prepare goats for show. Exhibitors ARE allowed to use hair and skin care products and conditioners as part of the regular daily grooming and hair maintenance of their meat goats while at county fair. Animals may be subject to being wiped with a white towel, cloth, etc. as they report to the make-up area and show ring.**

SECTION A-SHOWMANSHIP

Novice	Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
21001	21101	21201	21301	Fitting & Showing

SECTION B-MARKET GOATS

	Classes
21102	Market Goats (maximum 4 entries)
21103	Pair of Market Goats (maximum 1 entry) (each shown individually in class 21102)

21113	Doe 4 years old & older – Born on or before Aug 31, 2022
21114	Dam and Daughter (Does only) (each shown individually in a class 21104 to 21113)
21115	Twins to each other – Born on or after Sept. 1, 2024 (each shown individually in a class 21104 to 21113)
21116	Buck Kid - Born on or after Sept. 1, 2025
21117	Yearling Buck — Born between Sept. 1, 2024 & Aug. 31, 2025

**SECTION C-BREEDING GOATS
COMMERCIAL**

	Class
21104	Jr. Doe Kid - Born on or after Mar. 1, 2026
21105	Inter. Doe Kid – Born Between Jan. 1, 2026 & Feb. 29, 2026
21106	Winter Doe Kid – Born between Nov. 1, 2025 & Dec. 31, 2025
21107	Fall Doe Kid – Born between Sept. 1, 2025 & Oct. 31, 2025
21108	Senior Yearling Doe (not kidded) – Born between Sept. 1, 2024 & Dec. 31, 2024
21109	Junior Yearling Doe (not kidded) - Born between Jan. 1, 2025 & Aug 31, 2025
21110	Yearling Doe (kidded) – Born between Sept. 1, 2024 & Aug. 31, 2025
21111	Doe 2 years old –Born Between Sept. 1, 2023 & Aug. 31, 2024
21112	Doe 3 years old-Born between Sept. 1, 2022 & Aug. 31, 2023

**SECTION D-BREEDING GOATS-
REGISTERED**

	Class
21118	Jr. Doe Kid - Born on or after Mar. 1, 2026
21119	Inter. Doe Kid – Born Between Jan. 1, 2026 & Feb. 29, 2026
21120	Winter Doe Kid – Born between Nov. 1, 2025 & Dec. 31, 2025
21121	Fall Doe Kid – Born between Sept. 1, 2025 & Oct. 31, 2025
21122	Senior Yearling Doe (not kidded) – Born between Sept. 1, 2024 & Dec. 31, 2024
21123	Junior Yearling Doe (not kidded) - Born between Jan. 1, 2025 & Aug 31, 2025
21124	Yearling Doe (kidded) – Born between Sept. 1, 2024 & Aug. 31, 2025
21125	Doe 2 years old – Born Between Sept. 1, 2023 & Aug. 31, 2024
21126	Doe 3 years old-Born between Sept. 1, 2022 & Aug. 31, 2023



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21127	Doe 4 years old & older – Born on or before Aug 31, 2022
21128	Dam and Daughter (Does only) (each shown individually in a class 21118 to 21128)

21129	Twins to each other – Born on or after Sept. 1, 2024 (each shown individually in a class 21118 to 21128)
21130	Buck Kid - Born on or after Sept. 1, 2025
21131	Yearling Buck -- Born between Sept. 1, 2023 & Aug. 31, 2025

SECTION E-BRED AND OWNED

	Class
21132	Bred and Owned Market Goat – You must be showing an animal in Section B to be eligible to enter this class
21133	Bred and Owned Breeding Goat - You must be showing an animal in Sections C or D to be eligible to enter this class

Callen Armacost

Great job, 4-H'er!



Your commitment, creativity, and determination have paid off.
The knowledge and confidence you've gained through 4-H will
carry you far beyond today's achievement. Be proud of
your efforts and keep reaching new goals. Your future is bright!

Love Aunt Dottie & Uncle Dominic



Department 22: Poultry

Superintendent	Contact Information
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Proposed Premiums Sections A-G: \$5.00 per animal shown

Proposed Premiums Sections H-J: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

ALL POULTRY

Live Poultry will not be exhibited at the 2026 Baltimore County 4-H Fair. We highly recommend you enter the poster contest!

Please visit MDA webpage for a list of poultry testers. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to have all required testing complete to meet Baltimore County 4-H Fair requirements.

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Exhibitors must comply with all General and all Livestock Rules and Regulations.
2. Poultry flock must be registered with the National Animal Identification System. The Premises ID# is required at time of entry.
3. Exhibitors may enter up to 3 birds per class, except Section G which is limited to 2 birds per class.
4. Exhibitors may enter up to 9 birds for the show.
5. All poultry exhibitors must complete Self Certification of Poultry Health Form prior to loading birds and shall present it upon request to designated fair agent.
6. Poultry, regardless of age, must be tested as required by the Maryland Department of Agriculture. See Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in MD. All Poultry must arrive with test results of negative testing for Pullorum-Typhoid and Avian Influenza.
7. Birds in Purebred and Crossbred Classes will be judged according to breed characteristics, e.g. feathers, coloring, combs, etc.
8. Turkey exhibitors who sell in Livestock Sale must comply with the Livestock Sale rules. Only turkeys exhibited in the poultry show may sell if they meet quality standards determined by Grading Committee.
9. Poultry are to be kept in their pens at all times except during judging, for the safety of the general public and the poultry. **NO SALE OR ADVERTISEMENT OF POULTRY PERMITTED.**
10. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and watering birds twice a day and providing their own feed/container.
11. Suggest poultry not be returned to flock for 6 weeks.
- 12. Exhibitors may only show live birds or create posters. They cannot enter both.**
- 13. Exhibitors are responsible for bringing their own appropriate pens/cages to house all fowl entered in Section G**

DEFINITIONS: Minimum showing age is 5 months.

Pullet: Female bird hatched after July 1st of previous year



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Hen: Female bird hatched before July 1st of the previous year

Cockerel: Male bird hatched after July 1st of previous year

Cock: Male bird hatched before July 1st of the previous year

SECTION A-WHITE EGG

PRODUCTION

	Class
22101	Pullet, light breed
22102	Laying hen, light breed
22103	Cockerel, light breed
22104	Cock, light breed

SECTION B BROWN EGG

PRODUCTION

	Class
22105	Pullet, heavy breed
22106	Laying hen, heavy breed
22107	Cockerel, heavy breed
22108	Cock, heavy breed

**SECTION C-PUREBRED STANDARDS-
LARGE BIRDS**

*Include Class # and Breed Code with
Poultry Entry*

	Class
22109	Pullet, American
22110	Hen, American
22111	Cockerel, American
22112	Cock, American
22113	Pullet, Asiatic
22114	Hen, Asiatic
22115	Cockerel, Asiatic
22116	Cock, Asiatic
22117	Pullet, English
22118	Hen, English
22119	Cockerel, English
22120	Cock, English
22121	Pullet, Mediterranean
22122	Hen, Mediterranean
22123	Cockerel, Mediterranean
22124	Cock, Mediterranean
22125	Pullet, Continental
22126	Hen, Continental
22127	Cockerel, Continental
22128	Cock, Continental
22129	Pullet, All Other Standard Breeds

22130	Hen, All Other Standard Breeds
22131	Cockerel, All Other Standard Breeds
22132	Cock, All Other Standard Breeds

**SECTION D-PUREBRED BANTAMS-
SMALL BIRDS**

*Include Class # and Breed Code with
Poultry Entry*

	Class
22133	Pullet, Game
22134	Hen, Game
22135	Cockerel, Game
22136	Cock, Game
22137	Pullet, Single Comb Clean Legged
22138	Hen, Single Comb Clean Legged
22139	Cockerel, Single Comb Clean Legged
22140	Cock, Single Comb Clean Legged
22141	Pullet, Rose Comb Clean Legged
22142	Hen, Rose Comb Clean Legged
22143	Cockerel, Rose Comb Clean Legged
22144	Cock, Rose Comb Clean Legged
22145	Pullet, All Other Combs Clean Legged
22146	Hen, All Other Combs Clean Legged
22147	Cockerel, All Other Combs Clean Legged
22148	Cock, All Other Combs Clean Legged
22149	Pullet, Feather Legged
22150	Hen, Feather Legged
22151	Cockerel, Feather Legged
22152	Cock, Feather Legged

**SECTION E-BARNYARD CROSS
STANDARD-LARGE BIRDS**

	Class
22153	Pullet, barnyard cross, standard
22154	Laying hen, barnyard cross, standard
22155	Cockerel, barnyard cross, standard
22156	Cock, barnyard cross, standard

**SECTION F-BARNYARD CROSS
BANTAM-SMALL BIRDS**

	Class
22157	Pullet, barnyard cross, bantam
22158	Laying hen, barnyard cross, bantam



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22159	Cockerel, barnyard cross, bantam
22160	Cock, barnyard cross, bantam

SECTION G OTHER FOWL

Limit two entries per class in this section. Exhibitors are responsible for bringing their own appropriate pens/cages to house all fowl entered in Section G

	Class
22161	Pigeons, single or pair
22162	Meat Birds, pen of 2
22163	Ducks
22164	Geese
22165	Turkey

SECTION H EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

About poultry and waterfowl

	Class

22166	Educational Display - Educational or informational poster, size not to exceed 22x14
22167	Educational Essay on Avian Flu – typed, not to exceed one page
22168	Craft using egg shell(s)
22169	Craft – poultry, waterfowl or eggs the theme
22170	Photograph or Collage – Poultry or Waterfowl as the focal point

SECTION I – POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

A representative stuffed chicken may be used for showmanship purposes.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
22171	22271	22371	Showmanship

SECTION J – POULTRY BREED POSTER COMPETITION

Please select your breed from the supplied list. Only one breed per poster entry. Up to 3 posters of 3 different birds per class. Up to 9 total entries permitted per exhibitor.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
22172	22272	22372	Poultry Breed Poster

Note: For those poultry exhibitors that can't find an economic way to have their birds tested or join in on a "group" poultry testing to cut down on the cost, the fair is pleased to offer an alternative to showing live birds.

The "Poultry Breed Poster Competition" will be judged first and foremost on the poultry shown in 4 pictures (Front view, Rear view, Left side, Right side.) Quality pictures that show the complete bird are critical as they will be used to judge the birds against the accepted poultry standard of perfection. Poster size is a maximum of 22" x 28", one bird per poster entry. Posters should also include at the minimum:

- Breed Name
- Variety / Color
- Type (light, medium, heavy, super heavy)
- Use (dual, meat, egg)
- Age (pullet/hen, or cockerel/cock)
- Sex
- Egg color
- Any additional information the exhibitor feels is pertinent to the breed

Again: Posters will be judged primarily on poultry breed standards as best as possible from the 4 pictures, the information provided, and overall eye appeal.



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BREED CODES

Section C Birds

American Breeds (Classes 22109-22112)	Breed Code
Plymouth Rock – Barred	100
Plymouth Rock – White	101
Plymouth Rock – Buff	102
Plymouth Rock – Silver Penciled	103
Plymouth Rock – Partridge	104
Plymouth Rock – Columbian	105
Plymouth Rock – Blue	106
Dominiques	107
Wyandottes – Silver Laced	108
Wyandottes – Golden Laced	109
Wyandottes – White	110
Wyandottes – Black	111
Wyandottes- Buff	112
Wyandottes – Partridge	113
Wyandottes – Silver Penciled	114
Wyandottes - Columbian	115
Wyandottes - Blue	116
Javas – Black	117
Javas – Mottled	118
Rhode Island Red – Single Comb	119
Rhode Island Red – Rose Comb	120
Rhode Island White – Rose Comb	121
Buckeyes	122
Chanteclers – White	123
Chanteclers - Partridge	124
Jersey Giant – Black	125
Jersey Giant - White	126
Lamonas - White	127
New Hampshires	128
Barred Hollands - Barred	129
Barred Hollands - White	130
Delawares	131
Asiatic Breeds (Classes 22113-22116)	Breed Code

Brahmas – Light	200
Brahmas – Dark	201
Brahmas – Buff	202
Cochins – Buff	203
Cochins – Partridge	204
Cochins – White	205
Cochins – Black	206
Cochins – Silver Laced	207
Cochins – Golden Laced	208
Cochins – Blue	209
Cochins – Brown	210
Cochins – Barred	211
Langshans – Black	212
Langshans – White	213
Langshans - Blue	214
English Breeds (Classes 22117-22120)	Breed Code
Dorkings – White	300
Dorkings – Silver-Gray	301
Dorkings – Colored	302
Dorkings – Red	303
RedCaps	304
Dark Cornish – Dark	305
Dark Cornish – White	306
Dark Cornish – White Laced Red	307
Dark Cornish – Buff	308
Orpingtons – Buff	309
Orpingtons – Black	310
Orpingtons – White	311
Orpingtons – Blue	312
Sussex – Speckled	313
Sussex – Red	314
Sussex – Light	315
Australorps - Black	316
Mediterranean Breeds (Classes 22121-22124)	Breed Code
Dark Brown Leghorn – Single Comb	400
Dark Brown Leghorn – Rose Comb	401
Light Brown Leghorn – Single Comb	402
Light Brown Leghorn – Rose Comb	403
White Leghorn – Single Comb	404
White Leghorn – Rose Comb	405

Buff Leghorn – Single Comb	406
Buff Leghorn – Rose Comb	407
Black Leghorn – Single Comb	408
Black Leghorn – Rose Comb	409
Silver Leghorn – Single Comb	410
Silver Leghorn – Rose Comb	411
Red Leghorn – Single Comb	412
Black Tailed Red Leghorn – Single Comb	413
Columbian Leghorn – Single Comb	414
Golden Duckwing Leghorn- Single Comb	415
Black Minorcas – Single Comb	416
Black Minorcas – Rose Comb	417
White Minorcas – Single Comb	418
White Minorcas – Rose Comb	419
Buff Minorcas – Single Comb	420
Buff Minorcas – Rose Comb	421
Spanish – White Faced Black	422
Andalusians – Blue	423
Anconas – Single Comb	424
Anconas – Rose Comb	425
Sicilian Buttercup	426
Catalanas - Buff	427
Continental Breeds (Classes 22125- 22128)	Breed Code
Barnvelders	500
Hamburgs – Golden-Spangled	501
Hamburgs – Silver-Spangled	502
Hamburgs – Golden-Penciled	503



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Hamburgs – Silver-Penciled	504
Hamburgs – White	505
Hamburgs – Black	506
Campines – Silver	507
Campines – Golden	508
Lakenvelders	509
Welsummers	510
Non-Bearded Polish – White Crested Black	511
Non-Bearded Polish – Golden	512
Non-Bearded Polish – Silver	513
Non-Bearded Polish – White	514
Non-Bearded Polish – Black Crested White	515
Non-Bearded Polish – White Crested Blue	516
Non-Bearded Polish – Buff Laced	517
Bearded Polish – Golden	518
Bearded Polish – Silver	519
Bearded Polish – White	520
Bearded Polish – Buff Laced	521
Houdans – Mottled	522
Houdans – White	523
Crevecoeurs - Black	524
Black La Fleche	525
Faverolles – Salmon	526
Faverolles – White	527
All Other Standard Breeds (Classes 22129-22132)	Breed Code
Modern Game – Black Breasted Red	600
Modern Game – Brown Red	601
Modern Game – Golden Duckwing	602
Modern Game – Silver Duckwing	603
Modern Game – Birchen	604

Modern Game – Red Pyle	605
Modern Game – White	606
Modern Game – Black	607
Modern Game – Wheaton	608
Old English Game – Black Breasted Red	609
Old English Game – Brown Red	610
Old English Game – Golden Duckwing	611
Old English Game – Silver Duckwing	612
Old English Game – Red Pyle	613
Old English Game – White	614
Old English Game – Black	615
Old English Game – Spangled	616
Old English Game – Blue Breasted Red	617
Old English Game – Lemon Blue	618
Old English Game – Blue Golden Duckwing	619
Old English Game – Blue Silver Duckwing	620
Old English Game – Self Blue	621
Old English Game – Crele	622
Sumatras – Black	623
Malays – Black Breasted Red	624
Malays – Spangled	625
Malays – Black	626
Malays – White	627
Malays – Red Pyle	628
Malays – Wheaten (Female)	629
Cubalayas – Black Breasted Red	630
Cubalayas – White	631
Cubalayas – Black	632

Phoenix – Silver	633
Phoenix – Golden	634
Yokohamas - White	635
Yokohamas – Red Shoulder	636
Aseels – Black Breasted Red	637
Aseels – Dark	638
Aseels – Spangled	639
Aseels – White	640
Aseels – Wheaten (Female)	641
Shamos – Black	642
Shamos – Black Breasted Red	643
Shamos – Dark	644
Shamos –Wheaton (Female)	645
Sultans – White	666
Frizzles – Clean Leg	667
Frizzles – Feather Leg	668
Naked Necks – Red	669
Naked Necks – White	670
Naked Necks – Buff	671
Naked Necks – Black	672
Araucanas – Black	673
Araucanas – Black Breasted Red	674
Araucanas – Golden Duckwing	675
Araucanas – Silver Duckwing	676
Araucanas – White	678
Ameraucanas – Black	679
Ameraucanas – Blue	680
Ameraucanas – Blue Wheaton	681
Ameraucanas – Brown Red	682
Ameraucanas – Buff	683
Ameraucanas – Silver	684
Ameraucanas – Wheaton	685
Ameraucanas – White	686



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Section D Birds

Game Bantam Breeds (Classes 22133-22136)	Breed Code
Modern Game – Birchen	700
Modern Game – Black	701
Modern Game – Black Breasted Red	702
Modern Game – Blue	703
Modern Game – Blue Breasted Red	704
Modern Game – Brown Red	705
Modern Game – Golden Duckwing	706
Modern Game – Lemon Blue	707
Modern Game – Red Pyle	708
Modern Game – Silver Blue	709
Modern Game – Silver Duckwing	710
Modern Game – White	711
Modern Game – Wheaton	712
Old English Game – Birchen	713
Old English Game – Black	714
Old English Game – Black Breasted Red	715
Old English Game – Blue	716
Old English Game – Blue Breasted Red	717
Old English Game – Blue Golden Duckwing	718
Old English Game – Blue Silver Duckwing	719
Old English Game – Blue Brassy Back	720
Old English Game – Brassy Back	721
Old English Game – Brown Red	722

Old English Game – Columbian	723
Old English Game – Crele	724
Old English Game – Cuckoo	725
Old English Game – Ginger Red	726
Old English Game – Golden Duckwing	727
Old English Game – Lemon Blue	728
Old English Game – Quail	729
Old English Game – Red Pyle	730
Old English Game – Self Blue	731
Old English Game – Silver Blue	732
Old English Game – Silver Duckwing	733
Old English Game – Spangled	734
Old English Game – Wheaton	735
Old English Game – White	736
Single Comb Clean Legged Other Than Gambantam (Classes 22137-22140)	Breed Code
Anconas – Mottled	800
Andalusians – Blue	801
Australorps – Black	802
Campones – Golden	803
Campones – Silver	804
Catalanas – Buff	805
Delawares	806
Dorkings – Colored	807
Dorkings – Silver-Grey	808
Dutch –Light Brown	809
Dutch –Silver	810
Dutch – Blue Light Brown	811
Frizzles – All Single Comb Varieties	812
Hollands – Barred	813

Hollands – White	814
Hollands –Black	815
Hollands – Black Tailed Buff	816
Hollands – Brown Red	817
Hollands – Black Tailed White	818
Japanese – Gray	819
Japanese – Mottled	820
Japanese – Wheaton	821
Japanese – White	822
Javas – Black	823
Javas –Mottled	824
Jersey Giants – Black	825
Jersey Giants – White	826
Lakenvelders	827
Lamonas - White	828
Leghorns – Barred	829
Leghorns – Black	830
Leghorns –Black Tailed Red	831
Leghorns – Buff	832
Leghorns- Columbian	833
Leghorns –Dark Brown	834
Leghorns – Golden Duckwing	835
Leghorns – Light Brown	836
Leghorns – Red	837
Leghorns –Silver	838
Leghorns – White	839
Minorcas – Black	840
Minorcas – Buff	841
Monorcas – White	842
Naked Necks – Buff	843
Naked Necks – Red	844
Naked Necks – Black	845
Naked Necks – White	846
New Hampshires – Single Comb	847
Orpingtons – Black	848
Orpingtons –Blue	849
Orpingtons –Buff	850
Orpingtons –White	851



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Phoenix – Golden	852
Phoenix – Silver	853
Plymouth Rock – Barred	854
Plymouth Rock – Blue	855
Plymouth Rock – Buff	856
Plymouth Rock – Columbian	857
Plymouth Rock – Partridge	858
Plymouth Rock – Silver Penciled	859
Plymouth Rock – White	860
Plymouth Rock – Black	861
Rhode Island Red – Single Comb	862
White Faced Black Spanish – Black	863
Sussex – Light	864
Sussex – Red	865
Sussex – Speckled	866
Rose Comb Clean Legged Bantam Breeds (Classes 22141-22144)	Breed Code
Anconas – Mottled	900
Belgian Bearded d’Anyers – Black	901
Belgian Bearded d’Anyers – Blue	902
Belgian Bearded d’Anyers – Cuckoo	903
Belgian Bearded d’Anyers – Mille Fleur	904
Belgian Bearded d’Anyers – Mottled	905
Belgian Bearded d’Anyers – Porcelain	906
Belgian Bearded d’Anyers – Quail	907
Belgian Bearded d’Anyers – Self Blue	908
Belgian Bearded d’Anyers – White	909
Dominiques	910

Dorkings – Rose Comb White	911
Dorkings –Black	912
Dorkings –Golden Penciled	913
Dorkings – Golden Spangled	914
Hamburgs – Silver Penciled	915
Hamburgs – Silver Spangled	916
Hamburgs – White	917
Leghorns – Black	918
Leghorns – Buff	919
Leghorns –Dark Brown	920
Leghorns – Light Brown	921
Leghorns – Silver	922
Leghorns - White	923
Minorcas – Black	924
Minorcas – White	925
Redcaps	926
Rhode Island Reds	927
Rhode Island Whites	928
Rosecombs – Black	929
Rosecombs – Blue	930
Rosecombs – White	931
Seabrights – Golden	932
Seabrights – Silver	933
Wyandottes – Black	934
Wyandottes – Blue	935
Wyandottes – Buff	936
Wyandottes – Bluff Columbian	937
Wyandottes – Columbian	938
Wyandottes – Golden Laced	939
Wyandottes – Partridge	940
Wyandottes – Silver Laced	941
Wyandottes – Silver Penciled	942
Wyandottes - White	943
All Other Clean Legged Bantam Breeds(Classes 22145-22148)	Breed Code

Ameraucanas - Black	1000
Ameraucanas - Blue	1001
Ameraucanas – Blue Wheaton	1002
Ameraucanas – Brown Red	1003
Ameraucanas – Buff	1004
Ameraucanas – Silver	1005
Ameraucanas – Wheaton	1006
Ameraucanas – White	1007
Araucanas – Black	1008
Araucanas – Black Red	1009
Araucanas – Golden Duckwing	1010
Araucanas – Silver Duckwing	1011
Araucanas – White	1012
Buckeyes	1013
Chanteclers – Partridge	1014
Chanteclers – White	1015
Cornish – Black	1016
Cornish – Blue Laced Red	1017
Cornish – Buff	1018
Cornish – Dark	1019
Cornish – Mottled	1020
Cornish – Spangled	1021
Cornish – White	1022
Cornish – White Laced Red	1023
Crevecoeurs – Black	1024
Cubalayas – Black	1025
Cubalayas – Black Breasted Red	1026
Cubalayas – White	1027
Houdans- Mottled	1028
Houdans- White	1029
La Fleche – Black	1030
Malays – Black Breasted Red	1031
Malays – Black	1032
Malays – Red Pyle	1033
Malays – White	1034
Malays – Spangled	1035



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Malays – Wheaten (Female)	1036
Bearded Polish – Buff Laced	1037
Bearded Polish – Golden	1038
Bearded Polish – Silver	1039
Bearded Polish – White	1040
Non-Bearded Polish – Buff Laced	1041
Non-Bearded Polish – Golden	1042
Non-Bearded Polish – Silver	1043
Non-Bearded Polish – White	1044
Non-Bearded Polish – White Crested Black	1045
Non-Bearded Polish – White Crested Blue	1046
Shamos – Wheaton	1047
Shamos – Black	1048
Shamos – Dark	1049
Sicilian Buttercups	1050
Sumatras – Black	1051
Sumatras – Blue	1052
Yokohamas – White	1053
Yokohamas – Red Shouldered	1054
Feather Legged Bantam Breeds (Classes 22149-22152)	Breed Code
Non-Bearded Booted – Black	1100
Non-Bearded Booted – Mille Fleur	1101

Non-Bearded Booted – Porcelain	1102
Non-Bearded Booted – Self Blue	1103
Non-Bearded Booted – White	1104
Bearded Belgian Bearded d’Uccle – Black	1105
Bearded Belgian Bearded d’Uccle – Golden	1106
Bearded Belgian Bearded d’Uccle – Mille Fleur	1107
Bearded Belgian Bearded d’Uccle – Mottled	1108
Bearded Belgian Bearded d’Uccle – Porcelain	1109
Bearded Belgian Bearded d’Uccle – Self Blue	1110
Bearded Belgian Bearded d’Uccle – White	1111
Brahmas – Buff	1112
Brahmas – Dark	1113
Brahmas – Light	1114
Cochins – Barred	1115
Cochins – Birchen	1116
Cochins – Black	1117
Cochins – Blue	1118
Cochins – Brown Red	1119
Cochins – Buff	1120
Cochins – Columbian	121
Cochins – Golden Laced	1122
Cochins – Mottled	1123

Cochins – Partridge	1124
Cochins – Red	1125
Cochins – Silver Laced	1126
Cochins – White	1127
Faverolles – Salmon	1128
Faverolles – White	1129
Frizzles – All Feather Legged Varieties	1130
Langshans – Black	1131
Langshans – White	1132
Langshans – Blue	1133
Bearded Silkies – Black	1134
Bearded Silkies – White	1135
Bearded Silkies – Blue	1136
Bearded Silkies – Buff	1137
Bearded Silkies – Gray	1138
Bearded Silkies – Partridge	1139
Non-Bearded Silkies – Black	1140
Non-Bearded Silkies – White	1141
Non-Bearded Silkies – Blue	1142
Non-Bearded Silkies – Buff	1143
Non-Bearded Silkies – Gray	1144
Non-Bearded Silkies – Partridge	1145
Sultans	1146



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Department 23: Rabbits & Cavies

Superintendent	Contact Information
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Courtney Pleiss	443-980-2551
Sarah O'Brien	443-841-9238

Proposed Premiums: \$5.00 per animal shown, maximum of 5 animals

ALL RABBITS

All rabbits for exhibition shall complete a Rabbit Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health. All rabbits at the fair must be pre-registered and entered into the fair.

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Note: All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations and all Livestock Department Rules and Regulations.
2. A \$1.00 fee will be assessed for all rabbits and cavies entered. Exhibitors will only receive premiums for up to 5 rabbits, no matter the total entries. These non-refundable fees must be mailed to Baltimore County 4-H Fair, INC. Attention: Registration P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152 or paid online through the Blue Ribbon entry system by June 1.
3. Exhibitors may enter more than one animal per class.
4. Exhibitors must complete a Self-Certification of Rabbit Health Form prior to loading animals & present it upon arrival to the designated fair & show representatives.
5. Rabbits must arrive with an individual identification of each animal; tattoo.
6. All Exhibitors will carry their own animals to & from the show table. Exception: exhibitors showing another animal at this fair, can ask a Baltimore County 4-H/FFA youth to carry their animal. Absolutely no adults are to carry animals.
7. There will be no interaction between the public and the animals at any time. This is for the safety of the animals as well as the public. No sale or advertisement of rabbits permitted.
8. Exhibitors must supply own feed and water in recognized animal containers. (Crocks, metal, or plastic containers that mount to the inside of the wire of the cage) No cans of any kind permitted.
9. Exhibitors must feed and water their animals daily. If the exhibitor cannot comply, arrangements must be made with the Department Superintendents. Failure to do so will result in ½ of your premium per animal being withheld.
10. Rabbits received Tuesday from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. NO EXCEPTIONS!
11. Any animal showing signs of illness or disease will be sent home. The decision of Superintendent is final.
12. PET CLASS will be judged according to condition of fur, general health, etc. No pedigree animals entitled to show in a normal breed will be accepted in the Pet Class. Limit 2 pet rabbits.
13. Rabbits only entered in hopping/agility class are still subject to all general rules and regulations and will require entry fees to be paid.
14. One substitution will be allowed at time of entry in same sex, breed, and class per exhibitor.
15. When entering your rabbits, all exhibitors must sign up for the Rabbit Information Table — two 1- hour time slots; limit of two exhibitors per time slot.
16. Exhibitors are not permitted to stay overnight in the Rabbit Dept.
17. Meat Pen considered one animal for premium purposes.
18. SHOW ATTIRE
 - a) Male-collared white button down or polo shirt. Khaki slacks or shorts
 - b) Female-collared white button down or polo shirt. Khaki slacks, shorts, or skirt



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SECTION A-BUCK

	Class
23101	Jr. 8 weeks-6 months
23102	6-8 months (not all breeds are eligible)
23103	Sr. 6 months and over
23104	Pet Class, crossbred rabbits
23105	Meat Pen. 3 of any sex, 2-5 lbs. per rabbit, not over 10 weeks old. Champion and Reserve Champion must be sold at Livestock Auction. Other Meat Pens may be offered for auction at the discretion of exhibitor.

SECTION B - DOE

	Class
23106	Jr. 8 weeks-6 months
23107	6-8 months (not all breeds are eligible)
23108	Sr. 6 months and over
23109	Pet Class, crossbred rabbits – Limit 2
23110	Meat Pen. 3 of any sex, 2-5 lbs. per rabbit, not over 10 weeks old. Champion and Reserve Champion must be sold at Livestock Auction. Other Meat Pens may be offered for auction at the discretion of exhibitor.

ONLINE ENTRIES-be prepared to type Breed Code- from the department list, Tattoo # and Color Breed Codes-Must be entered online

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. American Chinchilla 2. American Fuzzy Lop (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 3. American 4. American Sable (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 5. Belgian Hare (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 6. Beveren 7. Britannia Petite (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 8. Californian 9. Champagne D'argent 10. Checkered Giant 11. Cinnamon 12. Cream D'argent 13. Dutch (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107)) 14. Dwarf Hotot (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 15. English Angora (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 16. English Lop 17. English Spot (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 18. Flemish Giant 19. Florida White (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 20. French Angora (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 21. French Lop 22. Giant Angora 23. Giant Chinchilla 24. Harlequin (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 25. Havana (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 26. Himalayan (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 27. Holland Lop (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 28. Hotot de Blanc 29. Jersey Woolly (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 30. Lilac (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 31. Lionhead (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) 32. Mini Lop (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) |
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| 33. Mini Rex (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) | 41. Satin |
| 34. Netherland Dwarf (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) | 42. Silver Fox |
| 35. New Zealand | 43. Silver (Not eligible for class 23102 and 23107) |
| 36. Palomino | 44. Silver Marten (Not eligible for class 23102 and 23107) |
| 37. Polish (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) | 45. Standard Chinchilla (Not eligible for class 23102 and 23107) |
| 38. Rex (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) | 46. Tan (Not eligible for class 23102 and 23107) |
| 39. Rhinelander (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) | 47. Mini Satin (Not eligible for class 23102 and 23107) |
| 40. Satin Angora (Not eligible for breed class 23102 and 23107) | 48. Thrianta (Not eligible for class 23102 and 23107) |
| | 49. Any Other Recognized Breed |

Clayton Armacost

We're so proud of you for starting this fun 4-H adventure!



In 4-H, you'll learn new things, make great friends, and discover talents you didn't know you had. Keep asking questions, trying your best, and having fun along the way!

– Love Aunt Dottie & Uncle Dominic



CAVIES

Proposed Premiums: \$5.00 per animal shown, maximum of 5 animals

1. Cavies entered on Friday from 4:00 – 6:00 pm. No exceptions. Entries arriving Saturday morning will not be entered.
2. Exhibitor may enter more than one animal per class.
3. A \$1.00 fee will be assessed for all cavies entered. Exhibitors will only receive premiums for up to 5 cavies, no matter the total entries. These NON-REFUNDABLE FEES MUST BE MAILED TO Baltimore County 4-H Fair, INC. Attention: Registration P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152 or paid online using the Blue Ribbon entry system by June 1st.
4. Exhibitors must complete a Self-Certification of Rabbit Health Form prior to loading animals & present it upon arrival to the designated fair & show representatives. All cavies present at the fair must be entered in the fair.
5. Cavies do not need to be tagged in order to be shown.
6. All Exhibitors will carry their own animals to & from the show table. Exception: exhibitors showing another animal at this fair, can ask a Baltimore County 4-H/FFA youth to carry their animal. Absolutely no adults are to carry animals.
7. Any animal showing signs of illness or disease will be sent home. Decision of Superintendent is final.
8. One substitution will be allowed at time of entry in same sex, breed, and class per exhibitor.
9. Cages are not provided for cavies. Exhibitor must provide their own cage. Aquariums will not be permitted.
10. Exhibitor must provide own food and water containers. Only recognized food and water containers will be allowed. No cans of any kind. Exhibitors must provide their own food and bedding.
11. Exhibitors are not permitted to stay in rabbit department overnight.
12. SHOW ATTIRE
 - a) Male-collared white button down or polo shirt. Khaki slacks or shorts
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SECTION C – BOAR

Must enter breed from below.

	Class
23111	Jr aged breed class cavy under 4 months of age
23112	Intermediate aged breed class cavy 4-6 months of age
23113	Senior aged breed class cavy 6 months of age & over

SECTION D – SOW

Must enter breed from below.

	Class
23114	Jr aged breed class cavy under 4 months of age
23115	Intermediate aged breed class cavy 4-6 months of age
23116	Senior aged breed class cavy 6 months of age & over

CAVY BREED CODES

Must be entered online.

2310	Abyssinian
2311	Abyssinian Satin
2312	American
2313	American Satin
2314	Coronet
2315	Peruvian
2316	Peruvian Satin
2317	Silkie
2318	Silkie Satin
2319	Teddy
2320	Teddy Satin
2321	Texel
2322	White Crested
2323	Any other recognized breed

SECTION E-RABBIT & CAVY SHOWMANSHIP/WRITTEN TEST

1. The showmanship test will be given on Friday from 4:30 - 6:00 pm.
2. Showmanship test may consist of a written test, identification of equipment, breeds, feed, quality assurance, and the showing of a rabbit amongst other things.

Novice	Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
23017	23117	23217	23317	Rabbit & Cavy Showmanship

**SECTION F-RABBIT HOPPING AND AGILITY
SPECIFIC RULES**

1. All rabbits entered into hopping/agility class are subject to the ground rules of the rabbit department.
2. No tattoos needed for rabbit used only for hopping classes.

3. Please check fair schedule to find when rabbit hopping will be held.
 - i) Novice Hopper – Up to 1 year
 - ii) Basic – 1-3 years
 - iii) Advanced – Over 3 years

	Class
23118	Novice Hopper
23119	Basic Hop
23120	Advanced Hop





Best of Luck to all 4-H Competitor's



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Sheep Department General Rules

Identification for Sheep: All sheep must be identified with USDA-approved Scrapie ear tags.

Out-of-State Sheep: No additional requirements.

Market Lambs

It is recommended that all lambs be slick shorn prior to entry for inspection for club lamb fungus.

1. All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations and Livestock Department Rules and Regulations.
2. Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in showing.
3. Exhibitor must be present for check of health papers and registration.
4. All exhibits must be in place on Tuesday by 8:00pm.
 - a. Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
 - b. ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) MUST BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. Animals without required tags upon arrival to the fairgrounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the Fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
5. All sheep are required to have appropriate scrapie identification.
6. All sheep will be mouthed.
7. An Exhibitor who wins Champion Fitting and Showing may thereafter only show in Champion of Champions Fitting and Showing class.
8. Animals are to be kept in their pens or designated area at all times except for show time or walking to the wash racks. Animals should never be walked in other areas of the barns or fairgrounds. This is for the safety of both the general public and the animal.
9. Shavings or straw are permitted. Bedding material must be supplied by the exhibitor. All pens must be cleaned before removal of animals from the fairgrounds or premium money will be forfeited.
10. All sheep, regardless of age or sex, must be from flocks registered in the scrapie control program and so identified by
 - a. USDA approved tags,
 - b. A legible registration tattoo, or
 - c. An approved premise tattoo, before going to a MD fair or show. In addition to general requirements for individual sheep, the entire flock must be inspected for the presence of contagious or infectious diseases by an accredited veterinarian.
11. The tail docking policy previously in effect will be voluntary. (Market Lambs properly docked will have a minimum tail length of .7 inches.) It is recommended that you follow this protocol to reduce the risk of a rectal prolapse. Success of the voluntary policy will



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- be evaluated on a continual basis. Animals observed with a rectal prolapse will be removed from the fairgrounds.
12. Exhibitors are permitted to make two entries per class, regardless of breed, except market lambs, pairs and group classes.
 13. All Breeding Sheep classes must meet the minimum criteria of 4 entries, or animals will be placed in the “Other Breeds” classes.
 14. No companion animals allowed. Only animals entered and being shown are permitted on the fairgrounds.
 15. No Sale Or Advertisement Of Animals Permitted Except Through The Livestock Sale.
 16. All sheep must be properly presented for show. Market lambs must be slick shorn prior to their arrival the fairgrounds. In addition, no animals will be shorn once they come on the premises, as a preventive measure against spread of infection from wool-borne disease organisms.

Graham Armacost

Congratulations on your 4-H success!



Your effort, curiosity, and leadership make you a great example of the 4-H spirit. The skills you're building today—teamwork, responsibility, and perseverance—will help you achieve amazing things. Well done!

—Love Aunt Dottie & Uncle Dominic





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Department 24: Market Lambs & Breeding Sheep

Superintendent Contact Information

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Proposed Premiums: \$14.00 per animal shown, \$5.00 for 1st place in club group classes

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. All exhibitors must comply with Sheep Dept. General Rules. NOTE: rules #9 and #10.
2. A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. THESE NON-REFUNDABLE FEES MUST BE MAILED TO Baltimore County 4-H Fair, INC. Attention: Registration P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152 or paid online using the Blue Ribbon entry system by June 1st. This fee is separate from the tagging fee assessed by the MD 4-H Program to purchase the animal ear tag.
3. All breeding sheep must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must have been owned and registered with the appropriate Breed Association in the name of the exhibitor by July 1 of current year. Registration papers for each animal must be furnished and available anytime during the fair. Leased breeding sheep must comply with Livestock Department General Rule #4. Sponsor must sign the section on Lessee Compliance in the Lease Agreement.
4. Breeding Sheep will be shown with Registration Papers only, by breed, or as non-registered sheep.
5. Name of the exhibitor as shown on the entry form must be identical to that shown on the Breed Association Registration Paper.
6. Substitutions: Exhibitors are permitted to substitute one animal for another in the same class, but substitution must be within the same breed.
7. All exhibits must be in place on Tuesday by 8:00pm.
 - Animal Exhibitors must always have registration and health papers available.
 - ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) MUST BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. Animals without required tags upon arrival to the fairgrounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
8. All sheep are required to have appropriate scrapie identification.
9. Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in showing.
10. Once sheep are checked in they may not be removed from the grounds during the fair without the superintendent's permission.
11. **No artificial coloring may be used on animals at any time.**
12. Teeth requirements: Spring Lambs—All lamb teeth must be present. Fall Lambs—Yearling teeth may be present but must not be even with the lamb teeth at time of show. Yearling—Sheep may not have more than 4 permanent teeth showing at time of show.
13. All Market lambs must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and been owned in the name of the exhibitor by May 1 of the current year. Market sheep and commercial sheep must be tagged with a MD 4-H Livestock or MD FFA Livestock ear tag prior to arrival at the fair.
14. Market Lambs must be born no earlier than January of the current year. Market lambs may be ewes or wethers. All castrated lambs must be completely healed.



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15. All market lambs must be completely slick shorn within 1 week of the start of the fair. NO BUTT WOOL ALLOWED. No Artificial coloring is allowed. Lambs not meeting the criteria will not be weighed and will be disqualified from the show.
16. Sheep exhibited in a market class may not be exhibited in a breed class.
17. Only one entry per exhibitor in pair and group classes.
18. No sheep will be permitted in the ring unless properly cleaned and blocked.
19. All 1st & 2nd place Market Animals must be presented for selection of Grand & Reserve Grand Champions.
20. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion must grade and be sold at the Livestock Sale. The animals must meet quality standards and will be graded by the Grading Committee.
21. All Sheep exhibitors who sell in the Livestock Sale must comply with the Livestock Sale rules. Only market sheep exhibited in the show may sell if they meet quality standards as determined by the Grading Committee.
22. Exhibitors may nominate up to 4 animals for market classes, however, an exhibitor may only show 2 animals per weight class. Market lambs will be shown by weight classes, not by breed. Approximate weight classes determined after weights received.
23. Per Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs and Shows and the MD Department of Agriculture, all market lambs must be slick- shorn PRIOR TO ARRIVAL at the fairgrounds. This is to decrease problems from Club Lamb Fungus. No animals will be shorn once they come on the premises.

ONLINE ENTRIES—be prepared to type: Animal Name Breed, Sire/Dam, Breed Registry #, Scrapie Ear Tag #, 4-H Ear Tag # for Market Lambs, DOB – date of birth

SECTION A-FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP

	Class
24101	Novice – 1 st year showing, any age
24102	Jr. Fitting and Showing
24103	Int. Fitting and Showing
24104	Sr. Fitting and Showing

BREEDING SHEEP CLASSES

SECTION B - DORSET

SECTION G - SUFFOLK

SECTION C - HAMPSHIRE

SECTION H - TUNIS

SECTION D - MONTADALE

SECTION I - OTHER BREED

SECTION E - SHROPSHIRE

SECTION J - COMMERCIAL

SECTION F - SOUTHDOWN

	Class
24105	Yearling Ram, over 1 year of age but not over 2 years of age

24106	Fall Ram, Born Sept. 1 to December 31, 2025
24107	Spring Ram, born after January 1, 2026
24108	Pair of Rams, either Fall or Spring (shown individually in classes 24106 or 24107)
24109	Yearling Ewe, over 1 year of age but not over 2 years of age
24110	Pair of Yearling Ewes, over 1 year of age but not over two years of age (shown individually in class 24109)
24111	Fall Ewe born Sept. 1 to December 31, 2025
24112	Spring Ewe, born after January 1, 2026
24113	Pair of Ewe Lambs, either Fall or Spring (shown individually in classes 24111 or 24112)
24114	Breeders Young Flock, Ram (any age), Yearling Ewe, Ewe (Spring or Fall)— Total 3 animals shown (shown individually in classes 24105 to 24112)
24115	Aged Ewe, Ewe 2 years old and older



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SECTION K-MARKET LAMB

	Class
24116	Market Lambs
24117	Pair of Market Lambs (shown individually in class 24116)

SECTION L-GROUP CLASS

	Class
24118	4-H Club Group to consist of: 3 sheep – owned and exhibited by 3 different club members belonging to same 4-H club – sheep may be breeding or market sheep and do not have to be of the same breed.

SECTION M-BRED AND OWNED

	Class
24118	Bred and Owned Breeding Sheep – You must be showing an animal in Section B-F to be eligible to enter this class
24119	Bred and Owned Market Lamb – You must be showing an animal in Section K to be eligible to enter this class

Grayson Armacost
Congratulations, 4-H'er!



Your hard work, dedication, and willingness to learn truly show. Through your projects, leadership, and service, you're building skills that will last a lifetime. Keep asking questions, trying new things, and sharing your talents with others. We're proud of all you've accomplished and excited to see what you do next.

Keep growing, leading, and
making a difference!

Love Aunt Dottie & Uncle Dominic



Department 25: Wool Sheep

Superintendent Contact Information

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Proposed Premiums: \$14.00 per animal shown, \$5.00 for 1st place in club group classes

ALL SHEEP

Identification for Sheep: All sheep must be identified with USDA-approved Scrapie ear tags.

Out-of-State Sheep: No additional requirements.

Market Lambs: It is recommended that all lambs be slick shorn prior to entry for inspection for club lamb fungus.

SPECIFIC RULES

1. All exhibitors must comply with Sheep Dept. General Rules. NOTE: rules #9 and #10.
2. A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. THESE NON-REFUNDABLE FEES MUST BE MAILED TO Baltimore County 4-H Fair, INC. Attention: Registration P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152 or paid online through the Blue Ribbon entry system by June 1st. This fee is separate from the tagging fee assessed by the MD 4-H Program to purchase the animal ear tag.
3. Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring, as clearly stated in the General Rules and Regulations.
4. All exhibits must be in place on Tuesday by 8:00 pm.
 - Animal Exhibitors must have registration and health papers available at all times.
 - ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) MUST BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. Animals without required tags upon arrival to the fairgrounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
 - All sheep are required to have appropriate scrapie identification (see Sheep Dept. rule #9)
5. All purebred wool sheep must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must have been owned and registered with the appropriate breed associations in the name of the exhibitor by July 1 of the current year. (Sheep registered with the Natural Colored Wool Growers Association will be included in this category.) Leased breeding sheep must comply with Livestock Department General Rule #4. The Sponsor must sign the section on Lessee Compliance in the Lease Agreement.
6. All crossbred or commercial wool sheep must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and have been registered with the 4-H office by May 1 and ear tagged with an official 4-H ear tag.
7. Wool sheep will be judged 60% on wool and 40% on confirmation. Sheep entered in the Natural Colored Wool classes must have 35% colored fleece.
8. Purebred and crossbred or commercial wool sheep will compete in the same classes determined by wool grade.
 - a) Fine Wool – fleeces with counts of 60's and above. Examples: Merino, Rambouillet, Targhee, Crosses
 - b) Medium Wool – fleeces with counts of 58's & 50's. Examples: Corriadale, Montadale, Tunnis, Crosses
 - c) Long Wool – fleeces with counts of 48's to 44's Examples: Romney, Border Leicester, Lincoln, Cotswold, Crosses
 - d) Course Wool – fleeces with counts of 40's and below. Examples: Karakul, Scottish Blackface, Crosses



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ONLINE ENTRIES—be prepared to type: Animal Name Breed, Sire/Dam, Breed Registry #, Scrapie Ear Tag #, 4-H Ear Tag # for Market Lambs, DOB – date of birth

SECTION A-FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP

	Class
25101	Novice – 1 st year showing, any age
25102	Jr. Fitting and Showing
25103	Int. Fitting and Showing
25104	Sr. Fitting and Showing

Natural Colored Wool Show

SECTION

B – FINE WOOL GRADE SECTION
C – MEDIUM WOOL GRADE SECTION
D – LONG WOOL GRADE SECTION
E – COURSE WOOL GRADE

	Class
25105	Yearling ram – ram under 2 years
25106	Ram lamb
25107	Pair of ram lambs (shown individually in class 25105 or 25106)
25108	Aged ewe – ewe over 2 years
25109	Yearling ewe – ewe under 2 years
25110	Pair of yearling ewes (shown individually in class 25109)
25111	Ewe Lamb
25112	Pair of ewe lambs (shown individually in class 25111)

White Wool Show

SECTION

F – FINE WOOL GRADE SECTION
G – MEDIUM WOOL GRADE SECTION
H – LONG WOOL GRADE SECTION
I – COURSE WOOL GRADE

	Class
25113	Yearling ram – ram under 2 years
25114	Ram lamb
25115	Pair of ram lambs (shown individually in class 25113 or 25114)
25116	Aged ewe – ewe over 2 years
25117	Yearling ewe – ewe under 2 years
25118	Pair of yearling ewes (shown individually in class 25117)
25119	Ewe Lamb
25120	Pair of ewe lambs (shown individually in class 25119)

SECTION J – WOOL SHOW GROUP CLASSES

	Class
25121	Young purebred flock, to consist of 1 ram, yearling or lamb, 1 ewe, aged or yearling – 1 ewe lamb – white or natural colored, all owned by one exhibitor.
25122	4-H Club group, to consist of 3 sheep, white or natural colored, owned and exhibited by 3 different club members belonging to the same 4-H Club.





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Department 26: Swine

Superintendent	Contact Information
Brenda Strohmer	410-790-7248
Bud Strohmer	410-922-5060

Proposed Premiums: \$14.00 per animal shown

Maryland Swine

- a) **Brucellosis:** Maryland is a Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Maryland swine.
- b) **Tuberculosis:** Maryland is an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free State. Tuberculin test is not required for Maryland swine.
- c) **Immunization:** Leptospirosis vaccination is recommended.

Out-of-State Swine

- a) **Brucellosis:** All swine, except barrows, 6 months of age and older shall be negative to an official test for brucellosis within 30 days prior to exhibition entry or originate directly from a validated brucellosis-free herd or brucellosis- Free State.
- b) **Pseudorabies:** Swine over 6 months of age shall be negative to an official test for Pseudorabies conducted within 30 days prior to exhibition entry or originate immediately and directly from a qualified Pseudorabies negative herd or Stage 4 or Stage 5 Pseudorabies Free State.
- c) **Immunization:** Leptospirosis vaccination is recommended.

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Note: All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations and all Livestock Department Rules and Regulations.
2. A \$2.00 fee will be assessed for each animal entered. THESE NON-REFUNDABLE FEES MUST BE MAILED TO Baltimore County 4-H Fair, INC. Attention: Registration P.O. Box 1008 Sparks, MD 21152 or paid online through the blue ribbon entry system by June 1st. This fee is separate from the tagging fee assessed by the MD 4-H Program to purchase the animal ear tag.
3. All purebred breeding swine must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must have been owned and registered with the appropriate Breed Association in the name of the exhibitor by July 1 of the current year. Leased breeding swine must comply with Livestock Department General Rule #4. The Sponsor must sign the section on Lessee Compliance in the Lease Agreement.
4. All exhibits must be in place on Tuesday by 8:00 p.m.
 - Animal Exhibitors must always have registration and health papers available.
 - ALL REQUIRED EAR TAGS (farm tag, 4-H tag, FFA tag, RFID tag, scrapie tag) MUST BE IN PLACE PRIOR TO ARRIVAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. Animals without required tags upon arrival to the fairgrounds will not be permitted on the grounds. In the event that any animal loses the tag prior to the fair, the 4-H Extension Educator must be notified immediately.
 - In addition, all Swine (registered or commercial) must have the US official RFID tag via the producer or vet as required by MDA. NO NON-RFID TAGS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
5. Exhibitor must be present for check of health papers and registration papers.



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6. Show Attire: 4-H/FFA exhibitors must wear approved uniforms at all times while in show ring.
7. Market Hogs must be born no earlier than Jan 1 of current year.
8. All market swine must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and must be owned and registered with the County Extension Office by May 1 of the current year.
9. Market hogs must meet the minimum weight of 225 lbs. and the maximum weight of 285 lbs. (with a 5-pound tolerance on both ends) to qualify for champion classes.
10. Market classes will be divided by breed and weight. There must be at least 5 of the same breed, or the animal will be placed in Other Breeds. To be eligible as a purebred, registration papers MUST be presented at weigh in.
11. Exhibitors may nominate up to 4 market swine in Section B, however, an exhibitor may only show 3 animals per weight class. Approximate weight classes will be determined after all weights are received.
12. All 1st & 2nd place Market Animals must be presented for selection of Grand & Reserve Grand Champions.
13. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion must grade and be sold at the Livestock Sale. Animals must meet quality standards and will be graded by the Grading Committee.
14. All Swine exhibitors who sell in the Livestock Sale must comply with the Livestock Sale rules. Only market swine exhibited in the show may sell if they meet quality standards as determined by the Grading Committee.
15. Market swine may be gilts or barrows. Barrows must be completely healed.
16. Gilts exhibited in a market class may not be exhibited in a breed class. All swine must display proper identification tags or ear notches. Tags must be in place on all swine upon arrival.
17. Animals are to be kept in their pens or designated areas at all times. Animals should never be walked in other areas of the barns or fairgrounds. This is for the safety of both the general public and the animal.
18. **Exhibitor Animal Fitting Guidelines:**
 - a. **Conditioner Use:** Exhibitors are permitted to use conditioners on their animals. Conditioners are defined as any product specifically designed to improve the health, appearance, and well-being of the animal's coat, and skin. These products may include but are not limited to: 1) Coat conditioners and 2) Skin moisturizers.
 - b. **Prohibited Fitting Products:** The use of other fitting products that alter the animal's natural appearance is strictly prohibited. These prohibited products include but are not limited to: 1) Paints and dyes, 2) Adhesives, 3) Hair builders or enhancers, 4) Aerosol sprays intended to change the color or texture of the coat, 5) Any substance designed to sculpt, shape, or enhance the physical attributes of the animal beyond its natural form.
 - c. **Inspections and Compliance:** All animals will be subject to inspection by fair officials to ensure compliance with these guidelines. Exhibitors found using prohibited fitting products will be subject to disqualification and potential further penalties as determined by the fair management.



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ONLINE ENTRIES—be prepared to type: Animal Name Breed, Sire/Dam, Breed Registry #, Scrapie Ear Tag #, 4-H Ear Tag # for Market, DOB – date of birth

SECTION A – FITTING AND SHOWMANSHIP

	Class
26101	Novice – 1 st year showing, any age
26102	Jr. Fitting and Showing
26103	Int. Fitting and Showing
26104	Sr. Fitting and Showing

SECTION B – MARKET SWINE

	Class
26105	Berkshire Market Swine
26106	Chester White Market Swine
26107	Duroc Market Swine
26108	Hampshire Market Swine
26109	Landrace Market Swine
26110	Poland China Market Swine
26111	Spotted Market Swine
26112	Yorkshire Market Swine
26113	Other Breeds Market Swine
26114	Crossbred Market Swine

SECTION C – Breeding Swine

	Class
26115	Breeding Guilt

SECTION D – Bred and Owned

	Class
26116	Bred and Owned Market Swine – You must be showing an animal in Section B to be eligible to enter this class
26117	Bred and Owned Breeding Swine – You must be showing an animal in Section C to be eligible to enter this class

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Department 27: Horse

Superintendent **Contact Information**
Kelly Narango klevin26@hotmail.com

Proposed 4-H Premiums: \$16.00 per animal shown

ALL EQUINE

Identification: Individual official identification include the following as applicable;

- EIA test report with photo or drawing of the animal
- tattoo
- brand
- microchip

(Animals using tattoos or brands for official identification must be accompanied with the breed registration papers)

Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins) Testing: all horses and other Equidae, 9 months of age and older, shall be accompanied by a negative test for equine infectious anemia made within the 12 months before the date of the event. A copy of this test shall accompany every animal.

Self-certification Requirement and Exemption: exhibitor's self-certification of animal health is required for each equine entering a fair/show type event where multiple livestock species are present. The form must be available for inspection if requested. Those participating in equine-only shows are exempt from this requirement; however, it is good practice to thoroughly double check the health and condition of the animal before departing for the event. Exhibitors may not bring an animal having apparent or known signs of a contagious and/or infectious disease to an event.

OUT OF STATE EQUINE

Any and all out of state horses and other Equidae shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued within 30 days prior to entry (the following contiguous states and New Jersey are exempted from the CVI requirement; Delaware, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia).



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Part 1: 4-H youth eligibility

1. This show is not a qualifier for State Fair, and as such, performance levels will not be required for this event. See your local club leader for State Fair entry rules.
2. This show is open only to 4-H members who
 - a. Are enrolled and a member in good standing of a Baltimore County 4-H club.
 - b. Are enrolled by May 1 of the current year in the horse and pony project or horse lovers program
 - c. Have ridden in at least one show with their project animal

Part 2: Open youth eligibility

1. This show is open to youth ages 8-18 years old (of the current calendar year)
2. Have ridden in at least one show with their project animal
3. Have registered for the show with Kelly Narango by the deadline.
4. Have completed and returned all waivers and ethics forms by the start of the show

Part 3: Project Animal

1. Negative Coggins must be provided at check-in
2. All animals must be serviceably sound and free of signs of infectious and/or contagious disease at the time of the show.
3. In the event that an animal becomes unable to be shown, please contact Kelly Narango as soon as possible to see if alternative arrangements can be made; substitutions are not guaranteed and may be issued on a case-by-case basis.
4. No stallions over one year old are allowed on the grounds.
5. No companion animals are allowed on the grounds; only animals competing in the show are allowed.

Part 4: Sharing of animals

1. A horse can be shared by up to two riders, whether or not they are related.
2. Shared animals may only be used a maximum of 12 performance classes between the 2 riders.

Part 5: Entries

1. There will be a flat day fee per rider/horse combination.
 - i) The fee for 4-H members per rider/horse combo is \$40
 - ii) The fee for open rider/horse combo is \$50
2. Each rider/ horse combo may not exceed 12 performance classes (in hand classes do not count towards this total)
3. Each rider may not exceed 24 total classes for the day
4. Each rider is limited to a total of 4 show animals



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5. Fees **MUST BE PAID** prior to the show. If fees are not paid, the rider may not show. These non-refundable fees may be paid online, checks made out to Baltimore County 4-H Fair Inc, or cash the day of the show.
6. Checks can be mailed ahead of time but must be received by June 1 and mailed to Baltimore County 4-H Fair, Inc, Attention: Registration, PO Box 1008, Sparks, MD 21152

Part 6: General Rules

1. This show is governed by the MD 4-H Horse and Pony Rules book, 4H226. If there is clarification needed that the 4-H rule book does not cover, then the AQHA Rule book will be consulted. Please see the superintendent if you need to consult a rulebook during the show. Note, fence height are not rules and will be set at a level appropriate for county fair competition.
2. Only designated individuals are allowed in the show ring
3. The judge or superintendent may dismiss any entry that they feel is out of control or a danger.
4. Each child must have a parent/guardian on site at all times.
5. Classes may be combined, divided, or eliminated at the discretion of show officials.
6. Questions about placing or points should be directed to one of the superintendents, as only show management can direct questions to the scorekeeper.
7. Neither the Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association nor its show staff will be responsible for damages or injury to horses, riders, spectators, and/or equipment.
8. Exhibitors are responsible for feed and bedding. Stalls must be stripped and checked by show officials prior to leaving the fairgrounds.
9. Use of a cell phone while mounted is prohibited.
10. All riders must wear an SEI-certified helmet while mounted, no exceptions.
11. Riders may cross enter between English and Western, as well as Pleasure and Hunter divisions.
12. Exhibitors and guests are expected to follow all General Fair Rules and regulations and Horse Department rules.



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SECTION A – In Hand Classes

4-H Show	Open Show	Class
27101	27201	Jr. Fitting and Showing
27102	27202	Int. Fitting and Showing
27103	27203	Sr. Fitting and Showing
		Best in Fitting and Showing
27105	27205	Conformation – Geldings
27106	27206	Conformation – Mares
		Best in Show

SECTION B– Trail Classes

4-H Show	Open Show	Class
27108	27208	Trail (English or Western) to be run at the conclusion of in hand classes in the warmup ring, during English performance classes, must be completed by lunch

SECTION C – English Performance Classes

4-H Show	Open Show	Class
27109	27209	Junior Hunter Walk/Trot U/S
27110	27210	Junior Hunter Walk Trot Equitation
27111	27211	Junior Hunter Walk/Trot O/F (12-18”; cross rails)
27112	27212	Intermediate Hunter W/T/C U/S
27113	27213	Intermediate Hunter W/T/C Equitation
27114	27214	Intermediate Hunter O/F 2’
27115	27215	Senior Hunter W/T/C U/S
27116	27216	Senior Hunter W/T/C Equitation
27117	27217	Senior Hunter O/F 2’3”-2’6”
27118	27218	Junior Pleasure W/T U/S
27119	27219	Junior Pleasure W/T Equitation
27120	27220	Junior Pleasure O/F (12-18” cross rails)
27121	27221	Intermediate Pleasure W/T/C U/S
27122	27222	Intermediate Pleasure W/T/C Equitation

27123	27223	Intermediate Pleasure O/F 2’
27124	27224	Senior Pleasure W/T/C U/S
27125	27225	Senior Pleasure W/T/C Equitation
27126	27226	Senior Pleasure O/F 2’3”-2’6”

SECTION D – Costume Class

4-H Show	Open Show	Class
27127	27227	Costume Class (to be run during lunch break)

SECTION E – Western Performance Classes

4-H Show	Open Show	Class
27128	27228	Junior Western Stock Seat Walk/Jog
27129	27229	Junior Western Command Walk/Jog
27130	27230	Junior Western Horsemanship
27131	27231	Intermediate Western Stock Seat Walk/Jog/Lope
27132	27232	Intermediate Western Command Walk/Jog/Lope
27133	27233	Intermediate Western Horsemanship
27134	27234	Senior Western Stock Seat Walk/Jog/Lope
27135	27235	Senior Western Command
27136	27236	Senior Western Horsemanship

SECTION F – Speed Classes

4-H Show	Open Show	Class
27137	27237	Junior Pole Bending
27138	27238	Intermediate Pole Bending
27139	27239	Senior Pole Bending
27140	27240	Junior Plug
27141	27241	Intermediate Plug
27142	27242	Senior Plug
27143	27243	Junior Barrel Racing
27144	27244	Intermediate Barrel Racing
27145	27245	Senior Barrel Racing



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Department 28: Cats

Superintendent Contact Information

Timothy Bumgardner 410-746-2173

Proposed Premiums Section A: \$5.00 per decorated cage

Proposed Premiums Section B & C: \$5.00 per cat shown

Proposed Premiums Section D: \$2.00 per demonstration

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules & Regulations and all Cat Department Specific Rules.
2. To participate in the 4-H Cat Show, a member must be enrolled in the Cat Project by May 1 of the current year.
3. Cats must be owned and cared for by the 4-H member.
4. Cats under 4 months of age on day of show may not compete.
5. All cats must be currently immunized against Rabies & Distemper, as of June 1st of the current year, and NOT be renewed between June 1 and the date of the Show.
6. **Send copy of proof of all shots to Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association Inc. Attention: Lynne Rexroad P.O. Box 1008, Sparks, MD 21152 or submit it via the google form posted on the fair website.** Proof can be Rabies or Health Certificate, Shot Record or Pharmaceutical Receipt. Entries will not be accepted without proof of shots.
7. All Cats must be licensed for the current license year. **Proof must be sent to Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association Inc. Attention: Lynne Rexroad P.O. Box 1008, Sparks, MD 21152 or submit it via the google form posted on the fair website.** A copy of your 2025 licensing is acceptable at the time of entry. Record of your 2026 license will be required on the day of the show. Entries will not be accepted without proof.
8. There will be no limit to number of animals entered, however, participation will be paid for maximum of 5 cats per exhibitor.
9. All cats must come to fair in appropriate carriers (no “in-arm” cats). Carriers must be kept under tables during show.
10. All animals must be in place by 9:00 a.m. on Saturday.
11. Animals are to be kept in their cages at all times except during judging. This is for the safety of both the general public and the animal. Cats may be taken home after the Cat Show is completed.
12. Exhibitors must supply own food and water containers, food, litter pans and litter, fans, ice packs, cage mat, toys, and extension cords.
13. Exhibitors must feed & water their own cats. If you cannot do this, arrangements must be made with the Department Superintendent. Failure to do so will result in ½ of your premium per animal being withheld.
14. All exhibitors will be expected to keep their cages clean and neat at all times. Cats must be kept cool and comfortable at all times. Each exhibitor must supply a fan for their cat.
15. C.F.A. rules will be used as a guide for judging.
16. The judge may dismiss any cat & exhibitor when s/he feels the cat is not under control or may threaten the safety of others.
17. Any animal showing signs of illness or disease will be refused entry. Decision of the Dept. Superintendent is final.



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18. All Exhibitors will be required to help clean up and dismantle cages, tables, chairs, decorations, resource area, show area, etc., on Sunday after exhibits released, no exceptions.
19. Exhibitor is not required to show his or her own entered cat.
20. The 4-H substitute must be appropriately dressed and advanced notice must be given to the superintendent.
21. Good Sportsmanship will be expected of all exhibitors.
22. Time will be given to each exhibitor who would like to do an informal cat demonstration after the awarding of best cat/cats in show. This will enable the exhibitor to have a project completion for their record book.
23. SHOW ATTIRE
 - a) Male-collared white button down or polo shirt. Khaki slacks or shorts
 - b) Female-collared white button down or polo shirt. Khaki slacks, shorts, or skirt

SECTION A – CAGE DECORATION

Cage Decoration Rules

- Cages may be decorated any time after tables, cages and numbers have been put in place, Decorations must be completed by 2:00pm on Thursday. Judging will take place at 6:00pm on Thursday. Ribbons must remain on cage until Sunday after exhibit release and cleanup begins.
- Cage size - 45”W x 21”D X 24”H. Both doors in front of cages must be accessible. All decorations must be appropriately vented, due to July heat.
- Decorations will be judged on neatness, imagination, creativity, construction, overall aesthetic value and safety for the cat.
- You must have a cat entered in the fair cat show to enter a decorated cage that must be safe for the cat. Cat will remain in the cage for cat show.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
28101	28201	28301	Cage Decoration

SECTION B – PUREBRED

Purebred Rules

Any breed accepted by the C.F.A. will be accepted. Specify breed, color and variety if known. Breeds will be broken down into

judging sub- departments according to number of entries. Specify whether spayed/neutered, or not. There will be sub-departments for each.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
28102	28202	28302	Tom Cat (Male)
28103	28203	28303	Queen (Female)
28104	28204	28304	Open – Champion Cat from any previous Baltimore County 4-H Fair only (Male or Female)

SECTION C – HOUSEHOLD (MIXED BREEDS)

Household (Mixed Breeds) Rules

Cats will be divided into sub-departments according to coat length, color, and eye color on the day of the show. Cats must also be spayed or neutered.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
28105	28205	28305	Tom Cat (Male)
28106	28206	28306	Queen (Female)
28107	28207	28307	Open – Champion Cat from any previous Baltimore County 4-H Fair only (Male or Female)

SECTION D – INFORMAL CAT DEMONSTRATION

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
28108	28208	28308	Informal Cat Demonstration



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Department 29: Dog

Superintendent Contact Information
Jackie Levin 410-357-5208

Proposed Premiums: \$5.00 per animal shown

SPECIFIC RULES FOR OBEDIENCE AND FITTING AND SHOWING

1. Note: All entries are subject to Health Regulations for Livestock Exhibited in Maryland. Exhibitors must comply with all General Rules and Regulations and all Dog Department Specific Rules.
2. To participate in the 4-H Dog Show, a member must be enrolled in the Dog Project by May 1 of the current year.
3. Neat appropriate attire must be worn. Note: Clothing will be judged during Obedience & Fitting & Showing.
 - a) SHOW ATTIRE
 - i. Male-collared white button down or polo shirt. Khaki slacks or shorts
 - ii. Female-collared white button down or polo shirt. Khaki slacks, shorts, or skirt
 - iii. Sleeveless, but no tank tops. Note: Rubber soled, closed shoes must be worn.
4. All dogs must be currently immunized against Rabies, Parvo and Distemper as of June 1st of the current year. **Mail proof of shots to Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association Inc. Attention: Lynne Rexroad, P.O. Box 1008, Sparks, MD 21152 or submit it via the google form posted on the fair website.** Proof of shots is any one of the following: Rabies Certificate, Health Certificate, Shot Record or Pharmaceutical Receipt. Entries will not be accepted without proof of shots. Due June 1.
5. All Dogs must be licensed for the current year. **Mail copy of license to Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association Inc. Attention: Lynne Rexroad, P.O. Box 1008, Sparks, MD 21152 or submit it via the google form posted on the fair website.** Due June 1.
6. Dogs must have been trained by the 4-H member. A dog may be borrowed from a family member or neighbor. All dogs, owners and handlers should be registered in the 4-H office by May 1 of current year.
7. All dog show participants must have some type of dog training classes-either 4-H or otherwise and proof thereof. If the participant does not attend training classes, this must be approved by the dog show superintendent prior to June 1st. The participant must have knowledge of and practice all of the required patterns and skills in order to participate in the 4-H dog show.
8. Dogs must be groomed by the 4-H member. In those breeds where, specified stripping or clipping is required for AKC competition, adult or professional assistance is permitted. No artificial preparations may be left on the dog.
9. Exhibitors and their dogs may not practice in the dog show area, including the show ring, prior to the dog show. On the day of the dog show - practice is permitted ONLY in the designated practice area.
10. During the dog show, dogs are not permitted in other animal areas. Only dogs entered in the dog show are permitted in the dog area. After completion of class(es) dogs may be excused. After completion of dog show all dogs must be removed from fairgrounds.



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Reminder: All participants and parents are required to help set up and tear down the ring after all classes are completed. (Both obedience and fitting and showing rings).

11. Dogs must be six months of age in order to compete.
12. Mixed breed or unregistered purebreds may be entered in the show.
13. Female dogs in season may not compete in any obedience class and may not be in the building prior to fitting and showing classes.
14. AKC rules will be used only as a guide in the judging.
15. Classes will be determined as: Junior 8-10 years old, Intermediate 11-13 years old, Senior 14-18 years old, as of January 1st of the current year.
16. The judge may excuse from the ring any dog or handler who willfully interferes with another handler or dog or abuses their dog in or out of the ring; or any dog that cannot be controlled or is obviously ill or lame.
17. The judge and superintendent have the right to remove any participant or parent that shows unsportsmanlike conduct during the show.
18. Good sportsmanship will be expected of all exhibitors and spectators.

Online Entries be prepared to type: Animal name, breed, male or female, DOB, rabies tag #

OBEDIENCE RULES

1. Only properly fitted plain buckle or slip collars are acceptable. NO PINCH COLLARS.
2. All Baltimore County 4-H Obedience show participants must provide a written statement, signed by their obedience trainer, that they have completed a training course or be evaluated by a trainer prior to the 4-H county show.
3. Beginner Classes are exclusively for 1st time exhibitors, who have begun training their dog after January 1st of the current year.
4. Any dog who has won an obedience class in a previous 4-H show in which there were two (2) or more dogs in the class, must go up in class in succeeding years, except Utility winners may continue to compete in Utility in succeeding years.
5. Any dog having competed in an AKC show in the Pre Novice/Novice class may not compete in the 4-H Beginner Novice class.
6. Dogs having competed in an AKC show in the Utility class must show in Pre-Utility/Utility class.
7. Any dog holding an AKC CD degree may compete in the 4-H Graduate Novice or Pre-Utility/Utility Classes ONLY.
8. Any dog holding an AKC CDX or Utility degree or won the Pre-Utility class at a previous 4-H show, may only compete in the 4-H Utility class.



SECTION A – BEGINNER NOVICE

(formerly Sub Novice A)

Exercise:

- **Heel on Leash** – show whether dog has learned to watch its handler and adjust its pace to stay with the handler.
- **Figure Eight** – same as Heel on Leash but done in a Figure Eight pattern.
- **Sit for Exam** – is of great benefit when the dog needs hands-on care by a veterinarian.
- **Sit Stay** – allows the handler to have control of the dog when visitors come to the home.
- **Recall** – provides the handler with the ability to call the dog and always get an immediate response.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
29101	29201	29301	Beginner Obedience

SECTION B – PRE-NOVICE

(formerly Sub Novice B)

Exercise:

- **Heel on Leash** – show whether dog has learned to watch its handler and adjust its pace to stay with the handler.
- **Stand for Examination** – is of great benefit when the dog needs hands-on care by a veterinarian.
- **Heel Free** – done off leash.
- **Recall** – provides the handler with the ability to call the dog and always get an immediate response.
- **Stay-Sit or Down – Handler Walk Around the Ring** – allows the handler to have control of the dog when visitors come to the home.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
29102	29202	29302	Pre-Novice Obedience

SECTION C-NOVICE

- **Heel on Leash and Figure Eight** – show whether the dog has learned to watch its handler and adjust its pace to stay with the handler.
- **Heel Free** – done off leash.
- **Stand for Examination** – is of great benefit when the dog needs hands-on care by a veterinarian.
- **Recall** – provides the handler with the ability to call the dog and always get an immediate response.
- **Long Sit (1 minute)** – allows the handler to have control of the dog when visitors come to the home.
- **Long Down (3 minutes)** – dog must remain in down position.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
29103	29203	29303	Novice Obedience

SECTION D-GRADUATE NOVICE

Exercise:

- **Signal Exercise** – shows the dog’s ability to understand and correctly.
- **Heel on Leash and Figure Eight (off leash)** – show whether the dog has learned to watch its handler and adjust its pace to stay with the handler.
- **Drop on Recall** – can be a lifesaving command for a dog, since it gives handler control in potentially dangerous situations.
- **Dumbbell Recall** – this exercise is performed like Novice Recall but with the dog holding a dumbbell.
- **Recall Over High Jump.**
- **Recall Over Broad Jump.**
- **Long Down (3 minutes)** – dog must remain in down position.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
29104	29204	29304	Graduate Novice Obedience



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SECTION E-GRADUATE OPEN

Exercise:

- **Signal exercise**- shows the dogs ability to understand correctly respond to the handler’s signal to stand, stay, down, sit and come. No voice commands are given; only hand signals are allowed.
- **Scent Discrimination** – shows the dog’s ability to find the handler’s scent among a pile of articles.
- **Directed Retrieve** – proves the dog’s ability to follow a directional signal to retrieve a glove and promptly return it to the handler.
- **Moving Stand and Examination** – the dog must heel, stand and stay as the handler moves away. The dog must stay and accept an examination by the judge and return to the handler on command.
- **Go Out** – show the ability to send the dog away and stop as directed.

- **Directed Jumping** – the dog must go away from the handler, turn and sit. Then, the dog must clear whichever jump its handler indicates and promptly return to the handler.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
29105	29205	29305	Graduate Open Obedience

SECTION F-PRE-OPEN

Exercise:

- **Heel Free and Figure Eight** – Same as Novice, but off leash.
- **Drop on Recall** – can be a lifesaving command for a dog, since it gives the handler control in potentially dangerous situations.
- **Retrieve on Flat**
- **Retrieve Over High Jump**
- **Broad Jump**

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
29106	29206	29306	Pre-Open Obedience

SECTION G- Fitting and Showing

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
29107	29207	29307	Beginner Novice
29108	29208	29308	Pre-Novice
29109	29209	29309	Novice
29110	29210	29310	Graduate Novice
29111	29211	29311	Graduate Open Novice
29112	29212	29312	Pre-Open



Department 30: Overnight

Superintendent	Contact Information
Sean Klein	443-463-3800
John O'Brien	443-835-8760
Brenda Strohmer	410-790-7248

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Any 4-H member who is exhibiting Beef, Dairy, Goats, Horses, Sheep or Swine and plans to stay overnight at the Fair must meet the requirements in General Rules and Regulations and enter Department 30 online. To stay overnight in the fair barns, 4-H members must have an approved parent, guardian or chaperone staying overnight with them. All adults, REGARDLESS of relationship to the youth, can chaperone/supervise/watch only up to 3 youth at any time.

Parents/guardians are welcome to stay with their own children but cannot be responsible for other children without UME approval. NOTE: Poultry & Rabbit Exhibitors are not eligible to spend the night.

See the chaperone section under general rules and regulations. Also see rules of conduct for members.

Parents/guardians who designate an adult chaperone responsible for their children staying overnight in the barns must ensure the adult is an UME volunteer. Youth must designate who will be their chaperone at time of online entry.

Members are permitted to remain only in barn areas where adult volunteers are available for overnight supervision. A member may be required to go home if adult volunteers are unavailable for the area. Any youth staying overnight on the MD State Fairgrounds is the responsibility of their parent or designated chaperone and that neither the MD State Fair nor the Baltimore County 4-H Club Fair Association, Inc., can be held liable for subsequent incidents, nor the health or welfare of the youth. 4-H Members cannot stay overnight without having completed the Health Form, 4-H Liability Release & Informed Consent Agreement, 4-H Youth Code of Conduct, and **Baltimore County 4-H Fair Wavier of Liability**. These papers need to be mailed to **Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association Inc. Attention: Lynne Rexroad, P.O. Box 1008, Sparks, MD 21152 or submit it via the jot form.**

Parents and UME Volunteers spending the night must complete and mail the Health Form and Adult Release Form by June 1st.

SECTION A – COW PALACE

Beef, Dairy, Goats, Sheep, Swine Exhibitors

	Class
30101	Tuesday Night Cow Palace
30102	Wednesday Night Cow Palace
30103	Thursday Night Cow Palace
30104	Friday Night Cow Palace

SECTION B – HORSE BARN

4-H Horse Exhibitors

	Class
30105	Thursday Night Horse Barn



JUDGED CONTESTS

Department 31: Animal Costume

Superintendent	Contact Information
Jamie Condon	410-960-7019
Kelsey Condon	

Proposed Premiums: \$3.00 per contestant

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. This event is for the education of spectators and the enjoyment of exhibitors. 4-H youth and their animals will dress in coordinating or complementary costumes.
2. All breeding and market livestock and small animals entered in the fair are eligible to participate.
3. Classes will be established at the discretion of the Superintendent according to the number of entries.
4. Entries can be one exhibitor or a team of two or more. If a member of the team is 14 years of age or older, the team will be judged as a Sr. entry. Contestants are limited to one entry.
5. Both animal and contestant need to be dressed to complement each other and the narration.
6. Each contestant must write a narration in story or poem form (no more than 150 words) that will be read while contestant is on display.
7. Narrations must be given to superintendent half-hour before contest.
8. Entries will be judged in four areas:
 - a. Originality - clever use of materials, creativity, uniqueness, workmanship, neatness 30%
 - b. Agricultural Promotion - promotes 4-H and/or animal species, breed, use or product, etc. 30%
 - c. Humor and Audience Appeal 20%
 - d. Effectiveness of Narration 20%

SECTION A – ANIMAL COSTUME

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
31101	31201	31301	Animal Costume



Department 32: Pedal Tractor Pull

Superintendent	Contact Information
Jimmy Thomas	410-877-2872
David Thomas	410-877-2872
Lynne Rexroad	443-619-3505

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Exhibitor must be enrolled in a 4-H Club as a Clover (ages 5-7) or a Junior (ages 8-10).
2. Pre-registration can be made online. Exhibitors can also register 30 minutes before the scheduled event.
3. Clover exhibitors must be accompanied by a parent or adult.
4. If not a registered fair participant, exhibitor will be required to sign a release form.
5. All contestants will use the pedal tractor and sled provided.
 - a. Round 1 – All contestants will attempt to pull the sled, with the initial weight, a designated distance (25feet.) Those who are successful will move on to Round 2.
 - b. Round 2 – Additional weight will be added to the sled and contestants will attempt to pull the sled a designated distance.
 - c. Further rounds will continue with weight added at the beginning of each round until a winner has been determined. The winner will be the contestant who pulls the heaviest load the furthest distance.
6. The contestant must be able to pedal the tractor without assistance.
7. All contestants must wear closed-toe shoes (no flip-flops or sandals).
8. Hands should remain on the steering wheel and feet should remain on the pedals at all times.
9. Puller must stay seated at all times.
10. Boys and girls will pull together.
11. Every pull will be conducted as safely, fairly, and equally as possible.
12. Judges' decision is final.

SECTION A – PEDAL TRACTOR PULL CONTEST

Clover	Jr.	Class
32001	32101	Pedal Tractor Pull Contest



Department 33: Bicycle

Superintendent Contact Information

Dwayne Murphy

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

Clovers \$1 Participation

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. 4-H Club Members are encouraged to be registered in the 4-H Bicycle Project for the current year.
2. The contest will be divided into Clover, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Divisions.
3. The contest will include a written examination, bicycle safety inspection and a skill riding event. (Clovers will not do the written examination.)
4. Each participant must bring their own bicycle for use in the contest.
5. All contestants must wear properly fitted “ASTM” or “SNELL” approved bicycle helmets. (No one will be allowed to participate without this helmet.)
6. Each contestant will be limited to one entry in the contest.
7. Entries will be accepted up to ½ hour prior to the contest.
8. Remember: Bicycles may not be ridden on the fairgrounds except during the contest. At no time will bicycles be allowed in any buildings or barns (except during the contest). Anyone breaking this rule will be charged under General Rules and Regulations.
9. Participants may be selected to represent Baltimore County at the MD State Fair Bicycle Contest by the County 4-H Office.

SECTION A – BICYCLE CONTEST

Clover	Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
33001	33101	33201	33301	Bicycle Safety and Skill Riding Contest



Department 34: Champion Chow

****COMPETITION HELD BEFORE THE FAIR****

Superintendent Contact Information

Kim Fox 410-527-2228

Proposed Premiums: Blue - \$3.00, Red - \$2.00, White - \$1.00

Clovers - \$1.00 participation

For the Fair: All the participants in the Champion Chow Contest are asked to save their table setting display and bring it to the Fair. All displays will be set up along with their menu so the public can see what a Champion Chow Exhibit is like. You are not required to bring your food, only your table setting and menu. You may include your recipe if you like.

	Class
34101	Champion Chow – Jr., Int., Sr.
34102	Champion Chow - Clovers

Farah	Rose	Imogen	Rylan	Alex	Wade	Jason	Morgan
Ella							Faith
Emmett							Otellia
Lindy							Abby
Garrett							Sam
Sophia							Clara
Jason							Gretchen



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Department 35: Clover Pet Show

Superintendent Contact Information

Lynne Rexroad 443-619-3505

Proposed Premiums: \$1.00 participation

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Exhibitor must be enrolled in a 4-H Club as a Clover.
2. Pre-registration not required. Exhibitors will register on 1/2 hour before the event.
3. Exhibitor can enter only one exhibit per category. **NO LIVE PETS!**
4. Ribbons will be awarded in each class.
5. Exhibitor will receive a \$1.00 participation premium.

PET ROCK RULES:

1. Pet rocks are judged based on the exhibitor's imaginative use of a natural material. The rock must be non-ceramic, no seashells, not plastic. Exhibitor may use any material as an accessory to their basic rock as long as a single rock remains the largest object in the entry.
2. Upon registering a pet rock, the exhibit is placed on a table for display throughout the pet show.

CATEGORIES:

- **Category 1 - Stuffed Animals**
 - Class 1 – Softest/Most Cuddly
 - Class 2 – Most Unusual
 - Class 3 – Best dressed – Costume/Outfit
 - Class 4 – Best Farm Animal
 - Class 5 – Best Wild Animal
 - Class 6 – Best Water Animal
 - Class 7 – Smallest
 - Class 8 – Largest
 - Class 9 – Most Spots
- **Category 2 – Stuffed Non-Animals**
 - Class 1 – Cutest
 - Class 2 – Funniest
 - Class 3 – Largest
 - Class 4 – Smallest
 - Class 5 – Most Cuddly
- **Category 3 – Favorite Toy**
 - Class 1 – Largest
 - Class 2 – Smallest
- **Category 4 – Pet Rock**
 - Class 1 – Animal Design
 - Class 2 – Non-Animal Design
 - Class 3 – Prettiest
 - Class 4 – Funniest
 - Class 5 – Most Unusual
- **Category 6 – Most Unusual**

	Class
35101	Clover Participation



Department 36: Public Speaking & Visual Presentations

Superintendent Contact Information

Vernelle Mitchell-Hawkins 410-887-8090

Proposed Premiums: Blue - \$3.00, Red - \$2.00, White - \$1.00

Clovers - \$1.00 participation

******COMPETITION HELD BEFORE THE FAIR******

SECTION A – PUBLIC SPEAKING & VISUAL PRESENTATIONS

	Class
36101	Prepared Speech - Jr., Int., Sr.
36102	Radio Spot - Jr., Int., Sr.
36103	Extemporaneous - Jr., Int., Sr.
36104	Interpretation - Jr., Int., Sr.
36105	4-H Pledge – Junior
36106	4-H Pledge – Clover
36107	Clover Show and Tell
36108	Illustrated Talk – Jr., Int., Sr.
36109	Demonstration – Jr., Int., Sr.
36110	Visual Presentation - Jr., Int., Sr.
36111	Spoken Word Poetry - Jr., Int., Sr.



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Department 38: Fashion Revue

Superintendent Contact Information
VACANT

Proposed Premiums: \$3.00 per entry

Clovers - \$1.00 participation

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. The County Fashion Revue and Awards Program will be held Thursday July 16th, 5:00 pm in the Cow Palace at the Maryland State Fairgrounds. **Preliminary judging will take place on July 16th at the Maryland State Fairgrounds. Location on the fairgrounds to be determined. Superintendent will schedule appointments upon receipt of registrations. In order to be eligible for premiums for Fashion Revue, 4-H'ers MUST participate in both preliminary judging and the final show at the fair.**
2. Contestants must enter through the Blue Ribbon system by June 1st. Entry forms will be shared with contestants via email from the superintendent. **Entries are due to the superintendent by July 1st. NO LATE ENTIRES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
3. Age Divisions are determined by 4-H youths age as of January 1 of the current year: a. CLOVERS - ages 5-7; JUNIORS - ages 8-10; INTERMEDIATES - ages 11-13; SENIORS - ages 14 – 18.
4. Clovers may enter only one outfit – either constructed or Ready-to-Wear. Clovers will participate in both the preliminary judging and the Fashion Revue. They will receive special Clover ribbons.
5. Junior, Intermediate and Senior contestants may enter no more than two outfits. Each outfit must be entered in a different category. Contestants must place themselves in one of the categories on their application.
6. All judges' decisions are final at the time of preliminary judging.
7. All outfits entered in categories, except Ready-to-Wear, must be constructed by the 4-H youth using a sewing machine, hand stitching, weaving, knitting, or crocheting. The entire outfit does not have to be home constructed, unless listed as a requirement for the category. (For example, if a 4-H youth made a pair of shorts to enter in the Active Wear category, they could either make or buy a shirt to go with them.) Accessories do not need to be made by the contestant. However, they will be taken into consideration in judging the overall appearance of the outfit.
8. Outfits entered in the Ready-to-Wear category must be constructed by a manufacturer. No home constructed items may be entered in this category. Garments do not have to be purchased new (i.e. they may be purchased at thrift or second-hand stores, yard sales, etc.) and may be altered. Accessories will be taken into consideration in judging the overall appearance of the outfit.

AWARDS:

1. Clovers will receive participation ribbons.
2. Jr., Int., and Sr. contestants will be judged on the Danish System and will receive a blue (excellent), red (very good), or white (good) ribbon.



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SECTION A – Clovers

Clover	Class
38001	Ready to Wear
38002	Constructed

SECTION B. GARMENT CONSTRUCTED AND MODELED BY 4-H MEMBER

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
38103	38203	38303	Athletic Wear- Outfits include jogging outfits, beach wear, tennis wear, riding habits, ski outfits, skating, or other sports outfits.
38104	38204	38304	Costumes - Costumes which are historic, ethnic, or created for theatrical or special events.
38105	38205	38305	Recycled Design – member designs and sews a wearable garment from previously used materials. The completed garment is different from its original use. The original garment is not yardage like a bedspread or sheet, but an actual garment (or two or more garments). Additional fabric and trims may be added to complete the new garment. The new garment must show at least 50% change in construction. Members must include before and after pictures.
38106	38206	38306	Formal Wear - Outfit suitable for evening or semi-formal events, including men's wear, long or short dress, skirt, or evening pants.
38107	38207	38307	Business/Professional – Outfits appropriate for job interviews or professional settings.
38108	38208	38308	Outer Wear – Pull-over jackets, short and long coats, rain wear, capes, blazers, and other garments to be worn outdoors but not specifically designed for a particular sport.
38109	38209	38309	Dresses – could include a sundress or other non-formal dress.
38110	38210	38310	Separates – Jacket, vest, slacks, skirt, blouse, shorts an outfit appropriate for school or casual affair. (2 or more pieces.)
38111	38211	38311	Lounge Wear – Outfits include casual, comfortable clothing suitable for wearing at home, includes appropriate sleep wear

SECTION C. READY-TO-WEAR FASHION MODELED BY 4-H MEMBER

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
38112	38212	38312	Athletic Wear- Outfits include jogging outfits, beach wear, tennis wear, riding habits, ski outfits, skating, or other sports outfits.
38113	38213	38313	Costumes - Costumes which are historic, ethnic, or created for theatrical or special events.
38114	38214	38314	Formal Wear - Outfit suitable for evening or semi-formal events, including men's wear, long or short dress, skirt, or evening pants.
38115	38215	38315	Business/Professional – Outfits appropriate for job interviews or professional settings.
38116	38216	38316	Outer Wear – Pull-over jackets, short and long coats, rain wear, capes, blazers, and other garments to be worn outdoors but not specifically designed for a particular sport.
38117	38217	38317	Dresses – could include a sundress or other non-formal dress.
38118	38218	38318	Separates – Jacket, vest, slacks, skirt, blouse, shorts an outfit appropriate for school or casual affair. (2 or more pieces.)
38119	38219	38319	Wearable Art – decorate a garment(s) using arts and crafts techniques, embellish to taste. Members must include before and after pictures.
38120	38220	38320	Lounge Wear – Outfits include casual, comfortable clothing suitable for wearing at home, includes appropriate sleep wear



Department 39: Ice Cream Contest

Superintendent Contact Information

Ashley Suprik

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$10.00, 2nd-\$7.00, 3rd-\$5.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Entries are made online by June 1st.
2. Contestants may be an individual 4-H member or a 2-member team. Team member must be named at the time of entry.
3. Contestants shall furnish the following:
 - a. All ingredients shall be from approved source. Ingredients must fill 2/3 of the container.
 - b. Utensils needed to make and serve ice cream.
 - c. Freezers – hand crank or electric may be used – maximum 4-quart capacity.
4. The fair will furnish ice, water and salt.
5. Contestants will receive an entry tag that must be attached to the contestant's ice cream freezer.
6. Any flavor of fruit may be used.
7. After the contest is judged, you may serve your ice cream to the audience (spoons will be provided).
8. Ice cream will be judged by a panel that will consider the texture, hardness of freeze and taste appeal.
9. You will have 30 minutes to finish your product.

Individual	Team	Class
39101	39201	Fruit
39102	39202	Nut
39103	39203	Other – No fruit or nuts

In recent years in the Northeast Region, there have been numerous food borne outbreaks of Salmonella enteritidis associated with the use of raw eggs in food products. Ice cream has been implicated in several of these outbreaks. Senior citizens are especially vulnerable to the effects of salmonellosis. Because raw eggs are an important ingredient in homemade ice cream mixes and because the ice cream made for this contest will be served to the public, the Baltimore County Dept. of Public Health makes the following recommendations:

1. The safest method of making ice cream is to purchase a commercially pasteurized ice cream mix and add flavoring ingredients just prior to freezing.
2. If your ice cream is made "from scratch", cooking the mix to 165 degrees F will destroy the Salmonella organisms. Cool the mix to 120 degrees F and then refrigerate at 40 degrees F or below until freezing.
3. Should you wish to make ice cream with an uncooked mix, substitute liquid pasteurized eggs for raw eggs. Always use pasteurized milk. USDA inspected eggs (or USDA approved pasteurized eggs) and flavoring ingredients from approved commercial facilities.





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Department 40: Judging Contests

Superintendent Contact Information
VACANT

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Entries will be accepted up to ½ hour before the contest.

SECTION A – DAIRY JUDGING

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
40101	40201	40301	Dairy Judging

SECTION B – LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
40102	40202	40302	Livestock Judging

SECTION C – HORTICULTURE JUDGING

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
40103	40203	40303	Horticulture Judging

SECTION D – POULTRY AND EGG JUDGING

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
40104	40204	40304	Poultry and Egg Judging

SECTION E – RABBIT JUDGING

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
40104	40204	40304	Rabbit Judging

SECTION F – DAIRY GOAT JUDGING AND SKILLS EVENT

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
40105	40205	40305	Dairy Goat Judging and Skills Event

SECTION G – HORSE JUDGING

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
40106	40206	40306	Horse Judging



Department 41: Livestock Skillathon

Superintendent Contact Information

Santana Mays 410-887-8090

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

Clovers \$1.00 participation

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. The Skillathon may consist of a written test, covering general knowledge and quality assurance, and identification of equipment, breeds, meats, feeds, and for seniors, judging of meat cuts. Species covered, beef cattle, goats, sheep, and swine. This year they are all together.
2. The contest will have five stations: Identification of equipment, breeds, meats, and feeds. Then a multiple-choice quiz covering general knowledge and quality assurance. Seniors will also have a meat judging station.
3. The contest will be set up in the South end of the Cow Palace. The contest will be open on Friday 9AM-11AM. Participation is on the honor system. Exhibitors complete the written test and identification portion and turn their paperwork in at the Fair Office.
4. Scores for all parts of the contests will be combined to determine placing.

SECTION A – LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON

Clover	Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
41001	41101	41201	41301	Livestock Skillathon

Department 42: Marksmanship

Superintendent Contact Information

VACANT

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
42101	42201	42301	Marksmanship



Department 43: Record Books

Superintendent Contact Information

Vernell Mitchell-Hawkins 410-887-8090

Proposed Premiums: Blue - \$5.00, Red - \$4.00, White - \$3.00

Clovers - \$3.00 participation

******COMPETITION HELD BEFORE THE FAIR******

Record books are due to the Baltimore County 4-H Office February of the current year.

All 4-H youths entering record books to the Baltimore County 4-H office receive premiums.

SECTION A – RECORD BOOKS

	Class
43101	Clover Scrapbook
43102	Record Book
43103	Senior Portfolio



Department 44: Scarecrow Making Contest

Superintendent Contact Information

Dee Cutler 410-977-9989

Proposed Premiums: \$5.00 per scarecrow built

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. A scarecrow may be the work of an individual 4-H Member, a group of 4-H youths or an entire 4-H Club.
2. Scarecrows must be built by the 4-H youth. Parents, adults, or leaders may not help (no matter how much fun it would be to participate!) Premiums will be paid on the basis of one premium per scarecrow, not by number of participants.
3. Scarecrows may be constructed from 3:00p.m. Wednesday, through 8p.m. Friday and will be judged Saturday morning. **SCARECROWS MUST BE MADE ON THE PREMISES.**
4. Straw will be provided by the Baltimore County 4-H Fair Association, Inc.
5. Clothing and accessories must be provided by the builder.
6. Materials and items provided by the builder are the property of the builder after the Fair. All scarecrows and builder-provided materials must be removed by the exhibitor after judging and prior to the designated clean-up date. Any builder-provided materials left beyond the clean-up date will be removed and contents may be discarded. Fair-owned material will be handled by the Superintendent.
7. Scarecrow making is open to all clovers.
8. A committee will select outstanding scarecrows.

SECTION A - SCARECROW

Clover	Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
44001	44101	44201	44301	Scarecrow Making





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Department 45: Shepherd's Lead

Superintendent Contact Information

Sara Ani 410-446-3327

Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$3.00, 2nd-\$2.00, 3rd-\$1.00

Shepherd's Lead is a contest to show the relationship between the shepherd and the wool products made from sheep (clothing products.) The competitor leads a young sheep (ewe or wether) around the ring while wearing an outfit made from wool, either sewn, knitted or crocheted. The contestant is judged on the handling of the sheep, as well as the outfit.

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. To enter, you do not have to own your sheep or carry the sheep project.
2. The sheep must be fitted and trained to a halter. Animal can be breeding ewe or a market lamb. Aged ewes are allowed, but all sheep must be entered and shown in the market lamb and breeding sheep, or wool sheep shows.
3. The contestant will be judged on the mode of dress selected. The outfit must be attractive and lend elegance to the contest. The garment must be made of at least 60% wool. Contestants must furnish their own garment. Garments from previous years are not acceptable.
4. The judging criteria will be as follows with a possible score of 100 points.
 - a. Outfit 60 points
 - i. Wool outfit that is made or purchased. Credit will be given for garments made by the contestant.
 - ii. The contestant's own presentation and appearance (poise, confidence, and the other outfit's attractiveness.)
 - b. Presentation and Control 20 points
 - i. Overall appearance of both the contestant and the sheep combined in the showing.
 - ii. Control of the sheep in the showing.
 - c. Animals 20 points.
 - i. Condition and overall appearance and attractiveness of the sheep (fitting, etc.)
 - ii. How well the sheep is halter trained and behaves in the show ring.
5. Narratives must be typed; handwritten narratives will not be accepted. The narrative should include the following information:
 - a. Description of the outfit
 - b. Information about the animal being led (name, breed, etc.)
 - c. Other activities and interests of the contestant
6. Narratives must be mailed to Sara Ani, 6229 Woodcrest Ave., Baltimore, MD 21209 by June 1st.



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SECTION A – SHEPHERD’S LEAD

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
45101	45201	45301	Shepherd’s Lead Contest

Sample Narrative:

This is Suzie Clover with her Tunis yearling. Suzie is 14 years old, and this is her fifth year as a 4-H sheep exhibitor at the county fair. Today Suzie is wearing a hand-knit sweater made from 100% Merino wool. Merino has a very close crimp and can be spun into a very fine yarn, which makes it soft. Merino wool is naturally a very white fiber so when dyed can produce almost any color yarn. Suzie chose this sweater to complement her wool blend slacks and she hopes to wear this outfit to fall semi-formal events at her high school. Suzie has been raising and showing Tunis sheep for her entire 4-H career and she has a flock of eight breeding ewes and one ram at home. In addition to the sheep project, Suzie has exhibited her photography project at county and state activity days and is the reporter of the Carefree 4-H Club. Suzie hopes to increase her flock next year so she has a larger lamb crop to sell and she can begin saving money for college. When Suzie isn’t working with her sheep, she likes to play basketball and swim.



Department 46: Small Engines & Garden Tractor

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Proposed Premiums: 1st-\$5.00, 2nd-\$4.50, 3rd-\$4.00, 4th-\$3.50, 5th-\$3.00

SPECIFIC RULES:

1. Entries will be accepted up to a half hour prior to the contest at the information desk in the Cow Palace.
2. 4-H Club members must be enrolled in the 4-H Small Engines Project for the current year.
3. The contests will be divided into Junior, Intermediate, and Senior.
4. Scores for all parts of the contest will be combined when determining placing.
5. There will be two separate contests.
6. Individual interested in participating in the Maryland State Fair Small Engines or Garden Tractor Contest should review State Fair entry requirements.

SECTION A – SMALL ENGINES

1. Written Examination
2. Small Engine Parts Identification
3. Visual Presentation, 5-10 minutes preferred, 15 minutes maximum. Participants must furnish their own demonstration materials.

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
46101	46201	46301	Small Engine

SECTION B – GARDEN TRACTOR

1. Written Examination
2. Tractor Safety
3. Compact Tractor Driving

Jr.	Int.	Sr.	Class
46102	46202	46302	Garden Tractor



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