

2020 Junior Fair Poultry Department Information {Revised 5/4/2020}

General Information	
Poultry Barn Director	Jared Corbin
Junior Fair Poultry Superintendents	Toni Altvater (419) 306-1873 OR hcoh-jf-poultry@hotmail.com Chris Allen (419) 348-8569
Junior Fair Poultry Information	Online: https://hancock.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/animal-project-resources/poultry Facebook: Hancock County Junior Fair Poultry or @HCOHJFPoultry
Poultry Project Resources	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Poultry Resource Packet available from the 4-H Office for a cost of approx. \$5 per packet. 2. Several poultry resources are available in the Poultry Resource Library at the 4-H Office. 3. Hancock County Junior Fair Poultry Facebook page.
Poultry Barn Location	Same barn used last year.
Show Clothes	Dress in black/dark blue jeans, long-sleeve white shirt or lab coat and closed toe boots or shoes covering the foot to the ankle. Exhibitors will NOT participate in the Market/Breed Show, Showmanship or the Livestock Sale without the proper show attire.
BVPA Poultry Stewardship Award	<p>Available to Junior Fair Poultry exhibitors who are excellent ambassadors for the Poultry Department and Poultry Barn, provide exceptional care for their animals and demonstrate ownership in the appearance/cleanliness of the Poultry Barn.</p> <p>Applications are available online (listed above), from Toni Altvater or in the Poultry Barn (during the fair).</p>
Open Class Option for Junior Fair Exhibitors	<p>Any Junior Fair exhibition bird, except for meat birds, can also be entered in Open Class for a small entry fee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Class entries are made through the Senior Fair Office. Please check with the Senior Fair Office for entry deadlines. • Junior Fair birds entered in Open Class are not required to provide feed, bedding and dishes. Feed, bedding and dishes are provided. • Junior Fair birds entered in Open Class will be caged with the Open Class birds - not with the Junior Fair only birds.
Blanchard Valley Poultry Association	<p>Facebook: Blanchard Valley Poultry Association or @BVPoultryAssoc</p> <p>Email: bvpoultryassoc@hotmail.com</p> <p>Annual Family Membership Fee: \$20 (Receive meeting minutes, voice and vote on poultry barn issues). WANTED: Junior Representatives</p>
DISCLAIMER	For accurate and timely information on poultry projects and poultry barn policies, please contact either the current Barn Director or a current Poultry Superintendent.

Requirements to Complete Poultry Projects	
Quality Assurance	For 2020, Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) requires Quality Assurance to be completed before the first day of the fair. Contact Cassie Anderson (anderson.3157@osu.edu) for available options.
Junior Fair Livestock Entries	Deadline is Friday, July 31st at the Junior Fair Office Late entries will be accepted until Monday, August 10 th at 5 PM at a cost of \$50 per entry. Entries WILL NOT be accepted after August 10 th at 5 PM.
Market Bird Banding Turkey, Chicken, Duck and Goose	All market birds will be banded during fair weigh-in. Turkeys are no longer banded prior to fair.
Health Certificates	For 2020, Health Certificates are NOT REQUIRED with the following exceptions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Out-of-State poultry - Provided by Seller • Market Chickens • Market Turkeys • Market Ducks (Only require purchase invoice) • Market Geese (Only require purchase invoice) Deadline is Friday, July 31st at the Junior Fair Office Please see the <i>Understanding the Requirements for Poultry Disease Testing and Health Certificates</i> document to determine the proper health certificate required for your poultry project(s). If proper health certificates are not provided by the deadline, entries will be voided, and the animal(s) WILL NOT be allowed to show at the fair.
Livestock Interview	Monday, August 10th at the South Show Arena <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required to be dressed in Show Clothes. • Required to complete an evaluation for each enrolled poultry project. • One project book can be used for multiple poultry projects, but separate records must be kept for each project. NOTE: If you cannot attend, Make-up Livestock Interviews will be Monday, August 17 th from 2 PM until 6 PM at the Hancock County Agricultural Center. Livestock projects cannot be judged by 4-H advisors.

Fair Information	
Market Turkey Project Changes	Rules for the Meat Turkey project that have changed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meat Turkeys must be hatched no earlier than April 15th of current year. 2. Meat Turkeys must be hens. 3. Meat Turkeys must weigh a minimum of 18 pounds and a maximum of 30 pounds. If a bird does not make weight, it is NOT eligible for awards and must go base bid.

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Market Turkey Project Changes (continued)	<p>Rules for the Meat Turkey project that will NOT change:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meat Turkeys must be in exhibitor's possession no later than June 1st. 2. Exhibitor allowed two (2) entries in class. 3. Exhibitor can sell only one (1) entry through sale ring. Exception Champion and Reserve Champion Turkeys. 4. Trophies: Grand Champion Turkey and Reserve Champion Turkey. <p>Buckets will be provided for feed and water. Buckets will be required to be secured to the cage and sit on the ground.</p>
Poultry Barn Setup	<p>Friday, August 28th at 6 PM</p> <p>All exhibitors are encouraged to assist in barn setup. Participation in barn setup will count as additional points on the BVPA Poultry Stewardship Award Application.</p>
Poultry Barn Check-In (Exhibition/Fancy Fowl & Market Eggs Only)	<p>Tuesday, September 1st from 9 AM until 8 PM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All exhibitors must check-in before entering the barn with their birds. Violation of this rule will result in the exhibitor removing all poultry exhibits from the premises. • All entries must be in place before 8 PM on Tuesday before the fair. • Exhibition/Fancy Waterfowl and Turkeys ARE REQUIRED to check-in at the back (south) door to the tent. This door faces the draft horses. • All other exhibition fowl and market eggs ARE REQUIRED to check-in at the side (west) door to the barn. This door faces the horse barns. • Except for market chickens and turkeys, it is recommended you personally band your birds for identification in the event of a dispute or loose birds.
Poultry Barn Weigh-In (Market Turkeys, Market Chickens, Market Ducks and Market Geese Only)	<p>Tuesday, September 1st from 12 PM until 6 PM - NO EXCEPTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A DUNF (Drug Use Notification Form) must be completed and stamped for each pen of three market chickens, for each turkey and for each pen of two market ducks and/or market geese. Animals will not be weighed without the form. • Market chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese will be banded at weigh-in. • Market fowl ARE REQUIRED to check-in at the front (north) door to the barn. This door faces the Show Arena. • Exhibitors not in line at 6 PM will not be weighed.
Open Class Eggs Check-In	<p>All Open Class egg projects will be checked into the Grange Building - not the Poultry Barn. Please check the most recent premium book to determine the hours the Grange Building will be open to accept entries.</p>
Fair Show	<p>Wednesday, September 2nd at 1 PM in Poultry Barn (market animal selection), 3 PM in South Show Arena (remainder of show)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required to be dressed in Show Clothes. • Exhibitor must be present at time of show. No premiums will be awarded if exhibitor does not participate in the show. If the exhibitor cannot be present at the time of judging, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to contact the Barn Superintendent and complete a notification form before judging. The final decision is at the discretion of the Barn Superintendent and Barn Director.

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<p>Fair Showmanship</p>	<p>Friday, September 4th at 2 PM in the South Show Arena</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required to be dressed in Show Clothes. • Must ONLY use birds that belong to the exhibitor. No borrowing or swapping of birds. • Birds entered in Open Class can be used for Showmanship. Showmanship is very stressful for Market birds. • Signup will be in the front of the Poultry Barn.
<p>Fair Expectations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibitors are required to provide their own food, bedding and dishes for their animals. Bedding, food and dishes will NOT be provided by the barn superintendents. • All exhibitors are required to provide proper care. This includes clean their own exhibits and provide fresh bedding twice a day, provide fresh food at least once a day, provide fresh water as needed throughout the day. • Each pen will have a care card and exhibits will be inspected a 9 AM and 9 PM daily. If an issue is discovered, a date and time stamped sticker will be placed on the care card. The exhibitor must resolve the issue and notify the Barn Superintendent within 24 hours. Failure to provide proper care in a timely manner or multiple care issues can result in withheld premiums, inability to sell in the Livestock Sale or inability to show poultry at the fair the following year. • Do not block aisles. • Dispose of all food/drink containers in the provided trash cans. • Return brooms, shovels and other barn equipment to designated areas. • Exhibitor is responsible for cleaning pen and surrounding area once birds are released. • Birds cannot be removed prior to release date and dismissal time without approval of the Barn Superintendent, Barn Director and Veterinarian. • No sorting, swapping, or substitutions of birds will be allowed once checked-in at the fair. Once a bird is checked-in, the bird CANNOT be replaced with a different bird. EXCEPTION - If a market bird expires or is damaged after weigh-in, the exhibitor must obtain approval from the Barn Superintendent and Barn Director to weigh a replacement bird PRIOR to the end of the posted weigh-in time.
<p>Fair Tear Down</p>	<p>You are required to clean ALL your animal cages and areas as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completely clean out all cages used by your animals. • Properly dispose of manure, bedding and tar paper waste. • Properly dispose of left-over feed, water and feed dishes. • Fold up your cages and place on the cage racks. • Place any cage supports on the designated trailer/truck. • Stack plywood boards where indicated by a barn superintendent. • Sweep the floor and properly dispose of any trash. <p>If you have a market animal, you are required to complete this cleaning process once your market animals are loaded on the base bidder trailer.</p> <p>If you have a take home animal, you are required to complete this cleaning process once your animals have been loaded to leave the fairgrounds, but before you leave the fair.</p>

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Fair Tear Down (continued)	<p>If your animals share a connected cage, the last animal in the connected cage is responsible for completing the cleaning process. However, this individual is NOT responsible for cleaning the connected cages unless they contained their own animals.</p> <p><u>It will be noted if an exhibitor does not properly clean all their animal cages areas after removing birds.</u></p> <p>All exhibitors are encouraged to assist in barn teardown. Participation in barn teardown will be noted and counted as additional points on the BVPA Poultry Stewardship Award Application for the following year.</p>
Sportsmanship Contract	<p>The following contract will be strictly enforced in the Poultry Barn:</p> <p>A Parent/Guardian and Jr. Fair Exhibitor agree and understand it is their personal responsibility to adhere to the following sportsmanship policy when entering an exhibit in the Poultry Department:</p> <p>Verbal abuse, physical abuse or harassment towards directors, judges, ring stewards, superintendents, employees, OSU Extension Staff, Junior Fair members, club advisors or volunteers of the Hancock County Fair will not be tolerated. You may be escorted from the Junior Fair event, premiums forfeited and upon Hancock County Agricultural Society committee decision, the family members may not be able to exhibit at the Hancock County Fair for a period indicated by the committee based on the severity of the situation.</p>

REMEMBER - The Poultry Barn and Poultry Department are provided by the Hancock County Agricultural Society (Senior Fair Board). Exhibitors are invited to display, show and sell their animals at the invitation of the Hancock County Agricultural Society. Exhibitors and family members need to be respectful of the representatives, property and rules of the Hancock County Agricultural Society and Junior Fair Board.