





# 2021 Hancock County Junior Fair Poultry Department Information

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General Information	
<b>Poultry Barn Director</b>	Jared Corbin
<b>Junior Fair Poultry Superintendents</b>	Toni Altvater (419) 306-1873 OR <a href="mailto:hcoh-jf-poultry@hotmail.com">hcoh-jf-poultry@hotmail.com</a> Chris Allen (419) 348-8569
<b>Junior Fair Poultry Information</b>	Online: <a href="https://hancock.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/animal-project-resources/poultry">https://hancock.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/animal-project-resources/poultry</a> Facebook: <b>Hancock County Junior Fair Poultry</b> or <b>@HCOHJFPoultry</b>
<b>Poultry Project Resources</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Poultry Resource Packet available. Contact Toni Altvater for more information.</li> <li>2. Several poultry resources are available in the Poultry Resource Library at the 4-H Office.</li> <li>3. Hancock County Junior Fair Poultry Facebook page.</li> </ol>
<b>Poultry Barn Location</b>	Same barn used two years ago.
<b>Show Clothes</b>	<b>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.</b>
<b>Open Class Option for Junior Fair Exhibitors</b>	<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"> <li>• Open Class entries are made through the Senior Fair Office. Please check with the Senior Fair Office for entry deadlines.</li> <li>• Junior Fair birds entered in Open Class are not required to provide feed, bedding and dishes. Feed, bedding and dishes are provided.</li> <li>• Junior Fair birds entered in Open Class will be caged with the Open Class birds – not with the Junior Fair only birds.</li> </ul>
<b>Blanchard Valley Poultry Association</b>	<p>Facebook: <b>Blanchard Valley Poultry Association</b> or <b>@BVPoultryAssoc</b></p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:bvpoultryassoc@hotmail.com">bvpoultryassoc@hotmail.com</a></p> <p>Annual Family Membership Fee: \$20 (Receive meeting minutes, voice and vote on poultry barn issues). <b>WANTED:</b> Junior Representatives</p>
<b>DISCLAIMER</b>	For accurate and timely information on poultry projects and poultry barn policies, please contact either the current Barn Director or a current Poultry Superintendent.

<b>Requirements to Complete Poultry Projects</b>	
<b>Quality Assurance</b>	For 2021, Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) requires Quality Assurance to be completed by July 10 <sup>th</sup> . Contact the Hancock County OSU Extension Office at (419) 422-3851 for your available options.
<b>Junior Fair Livestock Entries</b>  	<b>Deadline is Friday, July 30<sup>th</sup> – Submitted online</b>  Late entries will be accepted until Monday, August 9 <sup>th</sup> at 5 PM at a cost of \$50 per entry. Entries <b><u>WILL NOT</u></b> be accepted after August 9 <sup>th</sup> at 5 PM.
<b>Junior Fair Poultry Dept. Guidelines</b>  	<b>Deadline is Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup> – Submitted online</b>  All 2021 Junior Fair Poultry Exhibitors and Parents/Guardians are required to complete and submit the 2021 Hancock County Junior Fair Poultry Department Guidelines form by July 31 <sup>st</sup> to be able to exhibit at the 2021 Hancock County Fair.
<b>Health Certificates</b>  	<b>Deadline is Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup> – Submitted online</b>  Please see the <i><b>Understanding the Requirements for Poultry Disease Testing and Health Certificates</b></i> document to determine the proper health certificate required for your poultry project(s). <i><b>NOTE: Digital photos of health certificates will no longer be accepted – please submit scanned copies of the proper document(s) that are readable.</b></i>  <b>If proper health certificates are not provided by the deadline, entries will be <u>voided</u>, and the animal(s) <u>WILL NOT</u> be allowed to show at the fair.</b>
<b>Market Birds: Terminal or Take Home?</b>  	<b>Deadline is Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup> – Submitted online</b>  This year, the livestock auction is a partial terminal sale for all market birds. For each market poultry entry, an exhibitor can designate whether the birds are terminal (sold to the base bidder) or a take home project.  All market poultry projects are considered terminal unless the exhibitor designates it as a take home project by <b>July 31<sup>st</sup></b> . Designations must be submitted to the Poultry Superintendent through an online form.  <b><i>Exception: Champion and Reserve Champions are required to be terminal.</i></b>
<b>Livestock Interview</b>	<b>Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at the South Show Arena</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Required to be dressed in Show Clothes.</li> <li>• Required to complete an evaluation for each enrolled poultry project.</li> <li>• One project book can be used for multiple poultry projects, but separate records must be kept for each project.</li> </ul> <b>NOTE:</b> If you cannot attend, contact the Hancock County OSU Extension Office at (419) 422-3851 for your available options. Livestock projects <b><u>cannot</u></b> be judged by 4-H advisors.

<b>Requirements to Complete Poultry Projects (continued)</b>	
<b>Market Bird Banding Turkey, Chicken, Duck and Goose</b>	All market birds will be banded during fair weigh-in. Turkeys are no longer banded prior to fair.

<b>Fair Information</b>	
<b>Market Turkey Project Changes</b>	<p><b><u>Rules for the Meat Turkey project that have changed:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meat Turkeys must be hatched no earlier than April 15<sup>th</sup> of current year.</li> <li>2. Meat Turkeys must be hens.</li> <li>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.</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Rules for the Meat Turkey project that will NOT change:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meat Turkeys must be in exhibitor's possession no later than June 1<sup>st</sup>.</li> <li>2. Exhibitor allowed two (2) entries in class.</li> <li>3. Exhibitor can sell only one (1) entry through sale ring. Exception Champion and Reserve Champion Turkeys.</li> <li>4. Trophies: Grand Champion Turkey and Reserve Champion Turkey.</li> </ol> <p><b>Buckets will be provided for feed and water. Buckets will be required to be secured to the cage and sit on the ground.</b></p>
<b>Poultry Barn Setup</b>	<p><b>Friday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM</b></p> <p>All exhibitors are encouraged to assist in barn setup.</p>
<b>Poultry Barn Check-In (Exhibition/Fancy Fowl, Market Eggs and Open Class eggs)</b>	<p><b>Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> from 9 AM until 8 PM</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• All entries must be in place before 8 PM on Tuesday before the fair.</li> <li>• Exhibition/Fancy Waterfowl and Turkeys <b>ARE REQUIRED</b> to check-in at the back (south) door to the tent. This door faces the draft horses.</li> <li>• All other exhibition fowl, market eggs and open class eggs <b>ARE REQUIRED</b> to check-in at the side (west) door to the barn. This door faces the horse barns.</li> <li>• Except for market birds (chickens, turkeys, ducks, geese) it is recommended you personally band your birds for identification in the event of a dispute or loose birds.</li> </ul>
<b>Poultry Barn Weigh-In (Market Turkeys, Market Chickens, Market Ducks and Market Geese Only)</b>	<p><b>Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> from 12 PM until 6 PM – NO EXCEPTIONS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• Market chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese will be banded at weigh-in.</li> <li>• Market fowl <b>ARE REQUIRED</b> to check-in at the front (north) door to the barn. This door faces the Show Arena.</li> <li>• Exhibitors not in line at 6 PM will not be weighed.</li> </ul>

<b>Fair Information (continued)</b>	
<b>Fair Show</b>	<p><b>Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 1 PM in Poultry Barn (market animal selection), 3 PM in South Show Arena (remainder of show)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Required to be dressed in Show Clothes.</li> <li>• 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.</li> </ul>
<b>Fair Showmanship</b>	<p><b>Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2 PM in the South Show Arena</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Required to be dressed in Show Clothes.</li> <li>• Must <b>ONLY</b> use birds that belong to the exhibitor. No borrowing or swapping of birds.</li> <li>• Birds entered in Open Class can be used for Showmanship. Showmanship is <b>incredibly stressful</b> for Market birds.</li> <li>• Signup will be in the front of the Poultry Barn.</li> </ul>
<b>Fair Expectations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exhibitors are required to provide their own food, bedding and dishes for their animals. Bedding, food and dishes will <b>NOT</b> be provided by the barn superintendents.</li> <li>• All exhibitors are required to provide proper care. This includes clean their own exhibits and provide fresh bedding <b>twice a day</b>, provide fresh food <b>at least once a day</b>, provide fresh water <b>as needed throughout the day</b>.</li> <li>• 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.</li> <li>• Do not block aisles.</li> <li>• Dispose of all food/drink containers in the provided trash cans.</li> <li>• Return brooms, shovels and other barn equipment to designated areas.</li> <li>• Exhibitor is responsible for cleaning pen and surrounding area once birds are released.</li> <li>• Birds cannot be removed prior to release date and dismissal time without approval of the Barn Superintendent, Barn Director and Veterinarian.</li> <li>• No sorting, swapping, or substitutions of birds will be allowed once checked-in at the fair. Once a bird is checked-in, the bird <b>CANNOT</b> be replaced with a different bird. <b>EXCEPTION</b> – 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 <b>PRIOR</b> to the end of the posted weigh-in time.</li> </ul>

**Fair Information (continued)**

<b>Fair Tear Down</b>	<p>You are <b>required</b> to clean <b>ALL</b> your animal cages and areas as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Completely clean out all cages used by your animals.</li><li>• Properly dispose of manure, bedding and tar paper waste.</li><li>• Properly dispose of left-over feed, water and feed dishes.</li><li>• Fold up your cages and place on the cage racks.</li><li>• Place any cage supports on the designated trailer/truck.</li><li>• Stack plywood boards where indicated by a barn superintendent.</li><li>• Sweep the floor and properly dispose of any trash.</li></ul> <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> <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><b>All exhibitors are expected to assist in barn teardown.</b></p>
<b>Sportsmanship Contract</b>	<p><b>The following contract will be strictly enforced in the Poultry Barn:</b></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><b>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.</b></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.**