

Junior Livestock Rules

*****Rules apply to all livestock departments*****

Exhibitors

1. All exhibitors in this department must be in a bona fide 4H club or National FFA Organization Member in Lea County for the 2023 year and certified by the County Extension Agents or Agriculture Education Advisors in each species.
2. All 4H Exhibitors must be signed up in a particular species by the drop and add date of May 1, 2023. Exception applies for Market Steers, beef heifers, and horses; this deadline is April 1, 2023. As deadline for ownership is April 1, 2023.
3. No Exhibitor shall be eligible to compete the following year, if he or she has been disqualified from competition or has had a premium withheld or withdrawn on the grounds of rule violations involving misrepresentation, fraud or deception practiced or attempted at any fair.
4. **A substitute showman for any case must be a bona fide Lea County 4H or FFA member currently exhibiting livestock at the 2023 fair.**
5. Each Exhibitor must exhibit his or her own livestock in the judging, showmanship and the sale, unless excused by the Junior Livestock Superintendent or Species Superintendent for reasons that are deemed sufficient.
6. Disabled or handicapped exhibitors may use a substitute showman if it is desired. The Exhibitor will accompany substitute showman to fullest extent possible and prior approval from the Junior Livestock Superintendent or Species Superintendent.
7. All exhibitors will line up in the holding pen area according to show sheet (by weight), except Swine. Dairy Heifers will line up according to show sheet (by tag numbers).
8. In cases of sickness, injury, or other circumstances which prevents an Exhibitor from being present at time of exhibition, a substitute showman may be used. **Prior approval from Junior Livestock Superintendent or Species Superintendent is required.**
9. Exhibitors in violation of the Junior Livestock Rules will forfeit winnings and sale placing at the fair and will be disqualified from any other Junior Livestock activities at the current fair.
10. Exhibitors must be age 9 by January 1 of the current year or 8 years old & in 3rd grade.
11. All exhibitors will be required to fill out a valid W-9 IRS Form prior to entering the show ring. All paperwork must be turned in before check in, which is Sunday, August 6, 2023. Premiums/Add-Ons/Sale Checks will not be issued without a current year W-9. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS to this rule.
12. BEDDING will be allowed in the following barns: Steer, Dairy Heifer, Horse. *If you bring carpet you must take it with you, and your pen must be clean upon leaving or you forfeit your premiums!*
13. **NO TRAILERS, other than the approved RV's, are allowed in the RV parking lot after check in. Trailers will be towed at owner's expense.**
14. All exhibitors must turn in a Wholesome Meat Act Form signed by Exhibitor, Parent(s), Agent(s)/Ag Teachers, and must be notarized prior to show.
15. Veterinarian treatment costs are the responsibility of the exhibitor.
16. **MANDATORY EXHIBITOR/PARENT MEETING, SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023 AT 6 PM IN THE LIVESTOCK PAVILION.**

Ownership, Tagging, and Tattooing:

1. All livestock must be tagged prior to ownership deadlines
2. All livestock ownership deadline:
April 1, 2023 – Market Steers, beef heifers, and horses shown at County, District and State.
May 18, 2023 - 5:00pm – 9:00 pm – ALL Cloverbud Beef will be tagged on this day **ONLY**.
May 18, 2023 – Market lambs, swine, meat goats, dairy heifers, single rabbits and single poultry.
July 2, 2023 – Broiler poultry.
July 15, 2023 – Meat Pen Rabbits.
3. Retagging will be done only on animals with lost or damaged tags. Please notify the Junior Livestock Superintendent or your Agriculture Education Advisor.
4. Ownership may not be transferred from 4H to FFA or vice versa after ownership deadline.

Entries:

1. **ONLINE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2023 AT 9:00 AM. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE BY 5:00 PM ON JULY 21, 2023. NO EXCEPTIONS. LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

2. **NO REFUNDS** on entries if entered into ShoWorks incorrectly.

3. Each Exhibitor should print a receipt of entry as proof of livestock entries should there be a conflict at time of entry.

4. Entry **MUST** include ear tag of species in order to be accepted. **PLEASE GIVE THE LAST SIX DIGITS OF THE IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS.**

5. **ALL ANIMALS WILL BE TAGGED WITH A FEDERAL 840 TAG. Which is unlawful to remove!!!**
WHEN ENTERING PLEASE GIVE THE LAST SIX DIGITS OF THE IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS. ShoWorks only has room for the last six digits. **DON'T ENTER UNDER THE BREEDERS TAG NUMBER!**

6. Entry fees are as follows:

\$15.00 – All Cattle

\$13.00 – Prospect Yearlings, Futurity, and Versatility Horses

\$8.00 – Market Lambs, Swine, and Meat Goats

\$8.00 – Per Horse per class

\$8.00 – Cloverbud Beef Showmanship

\$5.00 – Meat Pens, Bakers and Pen of Broilers and Layers

\$3.00 – Individual Rabbits and Poultry

7. All Junior Livestock Exhibitors are required to use the standard display cards displaying the name of the owner, 4H club or FFA Chapter and ear tag of animal. This assists Superintendents in locating animals more quickly for show, sale, or packer.

Livestock Check-in at Fair:

On Sunday, August 6, 2023, all livestock must in place between 6:00am and 11:00 am. A Veterinarian and an inspecting committee will be setup through the North Exhibitor Gate in the RV parking lot. **ALL COVERINGS (Leg wraps, blankets, etc.) MUST BE OFF PRIOR TO SEEING VET.** Market Swine, Lambs, Goats, Yearlings and all Cattle must go through inspection before being penned or bedded. Cloverbud Beef entries may come in Sunday (8/6/23) during livestock check-in or Wednesday (8/9/23) from 12:00pm – 2:00pm.

North Exhibitor Gate:

6 am – 11am - Market Swine, Market Lamb, Goat and Yearling Inspection and Check-in, Exit through West Exhibitor Gate. All Cattle inspection and Check-in.

*******All Livestock Must be in Place by 11:00 am – Sunday, August 6, 2023*******

TACK AND FEED CAN BE BROUGHT UP AND UNLOADED SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2023 OR UNLOADED SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023 BETWEEN 12:00PM - 3:00 PM. DO NOT BLOCK DRIVE UNDER BARN TO UNLOAD TACK AND FEED BETWEEN 6:00 AM - 11:00 AM!!!!!!

1. Livestock are subject to being sifted before a show by a committee consisting of Junior Livestock Superintendent, Agriculture Education Advisors, and Species Superintendent.

2. Livestock disqualified will not have entry fee refunded.

Poultry & Rabbits: may be checked in Monday, August 7, 2023 from 8:00am to 7:00pm. Rabbits may be checked in by appointment only on Sunday, August 6, 2023.

Poultry: Entries will be brought to the barn and the Species Superintendent will assign cages.

Ethics:

1. Enforcement of these rules will be by the Fair Board and Livestock Committee.
2. Grooming products from aerosol cans are considered ethical.
3. No adhesives will be used.
4. Tranquilizers (not requiring a prescription) deemed all natural are considered ethical.

The following are termed UNETHICAL practices:

1. Livestock that have been given any form of intoxicating beverage, prescribed tranquilizer, substance or other drug affecting mood or attitude prior to judging.
2. Use of any product administered internally or externally to alter the appearance or conformation of livestock for exhibition
3. The use of any medication not approved by FDA is prohibited.
4. Judges are to report to Fair officials any livestock upon which surgical operation has been performed to improve "show" appearance, except for dehorning and/or tail docking.
5. The use of any medication that does not allow for proper withdrawal time should not be administered. If medication is necessary (for health of animal) exhibitor will need written approval from Licensed Veterinarian.
6. Exhibitor will remove disqualified livestock by 4:00 pm, Monday, August 7, 2023 (pending availability of space).

Classifying, Weighing, and Showing:

1. Classifier is to determine Breed of species (swine and market lambs); Weigh Master in charge of declaring final weight of animal. BREED AND WEIGHT WILL BE CALLED OUT LOUD ONE TIME AND ONE TIME ONLY! This cuts down on confusion during classification.
2. Only Fair Officials are allowed to visit with classifier, weigh master, and judge during classification and shows.
3. There will be no forced watering of livestock to make them meet minimum weight requirements.
4. If an animal weighs too light or too heavy – scales are immediately rebalanced and animal is reweighed.
5. Exhibitor will remove livestock not making required weight or being disqualified for other reasons by 4:00 pm, Monday, August 7, 2023. If pen space is needed.
6. Fair Board and Specie Superintendents reserve the right to add or combine classes and breeds for competition, to justify awards.
7. Classes must be large enough to justify selling at least one animal.
8. Livestock that have entered in the show and begins showing, must show as far as merited unless pulled or excused by both Fair Officials and Specie Superintendents. Livestock pulled while showing will not be eligible to sell or packer. Exhibitor must take the livestock home.
9. All parents or guardians must remain behind barriers when animals are being classified and weighed.

Premiums and Placings:

1. Market Classes, 1st through 10th place will receive individual ribbons. Horse, single rabbits, and poultry will receive ribbons for 1st through 6th place.
2. Exhibitors cannot receive more than two (2) premiums per class.
3. Winners of 1st place are eligible to show for Champion of the Division (Breed). 2nd place in the same class as the Champion will then compete against the other 1st place winners for Reserve Champion.
4. Only Champion of Divisions (Breed) are eligible to show for overall Grand Champion. Reserve Champion of Division (Breed) will compete against the other Division Champions for Reserve Grand Champion overall.
5. Exhibitors are not required to sell Grand Champions or Reserve Grand Champions at the Junior Livestock Sale. This includes the Prospect Yearlings and Versatility Horses.
 - a. Exhibitor (s) are only allowed to sell 2 animals and only 1 large animal with any combination of small animal equaling 2 head total.
6. **Livestock premiums will be included with Exhibitor's sale and/or add-on check. All exhibitors must turn in a W-9 Form before collecting any checks from the Fair Office.**

Showmanship:

1. Exhibitors of rabbits interested in showmanship will compete immediately following the meat pen competition. Exhibitors of poultry interested in showmanship must be ready prior to poultry judging.
2. The Exhibitor must show their own animal in showmanship.
3. The selected judge for each specie will select the winners of showmanship in the Junior and Senior age groups.
 - a. Junior Showmanship; Ages 9 – 13 (Age 13 cannot have completed 8th grade year if so they are considered a senior)
 - b. Senior Showmanship: Ages 14 – 18
4. Winners will be announced immediately following the Grand & Reserve announcement. All awards will be given at the Awards Banquet on Friday, August 11, 2023 at 5:30 PM.

Disposition:

Disposition is defined as what the exhibitor wants to do with the animal at the end of fair week. Example: If you qualify for the sale you must let the specie superintendent know you want to sell or if your animal doesn't qualify for the sale you must let the superintendent know if you are planning to take the animal home, sell to packer (for money) or Custom Kill (animal is processed at a specified packing house).

Disposition must be declared on Thursday, August 10, 2023 by 5:00 pm for the following: Junior Livestock Sale, Packer Livestock, and Non-Sale Livestock (All Species). Exhibitor MUST declare and sign the form posted at livestock pavilion for each animal exhibited at the fair by 5:00 pm. *****Cloverbud Beef Showmanship entries may be released, within 1 hour after the Beef show.**

Removal of Livestock:

1. Livestock removal will begin Sunday, August 13, 2023, from 6:00 am – 12:00 pm.
2. Exhibitor or parent must receive Release Form from Specie Superintendent, prior to removal of livestock from Fairgrounds.
3. Junior Livestock Superintendent, appropriate Superintendents, and Fair Board will not be held responsible for animals left after 12:00 pm on Sunday, August 13, 2023.
4. Animal(s) donated to a Charity Organization or any packer animals may be removed after completion of paperwork, Saturday, August 12, 2023 and prior to Sunday, August 13, 2023.

Packer:

1. Pending Bid Packet – Market Lambs, Swine, Steers, Meat Goats and Dairy Heifers may be removed on Saturday, August 12, 2023 after paperwork is completed in livestock office.
2. Packer is not guaranteed, but one is typically offered.
3. Items to consider:
 - a. Animals with defects will not be allowed to show; therefore, they are not eligible to be packer.
 - b. If animal becomes sick and deemed unhealthy by onsite veterinarian it will be removed from the packer list and the exhibitor must take the animal home.
4. Packer price for Market Swine weighing 180-190 is pending.
5. Animal cannot be removed from packer list unless authorized by the buyer(s) of the animal.
6. If a sale Dairy Heifer was turned back to packer, the breeder is the only person who can buy the heifer back.

Livestock Housing:

It is expected that a 4-H/FFA member's animal project be in the physical possession of and under the continuous daily care of the 4-H/FFA member and/or their parents/legal guardians. Physical possession of the livestock project is defined as the following:

Animals must be housed at either:

- a. The residence of the 4-H/FFA Member; or
- b. The residence of the 4-H/FFA Members' immediate family [i.e. parent(s), legal guardian(s), grandparent(s), sibling(s)]; or
- c. The residence of an approved screened Lea County volunteer; or
- d. 4-H/FFA Farm where the youth is a member in good standing.

Beef Cattle Department

Showtime: Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

Superintendent: Jace Reid

Assistant Superintendent: Clayt Reid

1. Market Beef may only be washed, blown and combed prior to judging and classification. Absolutely NO artificial coloring, glues or adhesives will be allowed, no exceptions, while on the Lea County Fairground premises. Market Beef may be subject to a white towel/glove test at any time.
2. Market Beef are allowed to be drenched, no stomach pumps.
3. Use of any compound administered internally or externally to alter the appearance or conformation of livestock will not be allowed.
4. All exhibitors must follow all the rules set forth in the Junior Livestock rules.
5. Exhibitors in violation of any of the Junior Livestock rules will forfeit their winnings and sale placing at the Lea County Fair and will be disqualified from all other Junior Livestock activities at the current fair.
6. No exhibitor who has been disqualified from competition or has had a premium withheld or withdrawn on the grounds of rule violations involving ethics violations, misrepresentations, fraud or deception practiced at any fair shall not be able to compete at the Lea County Fair the following year.
7. Absolutely no Junior Market Beef will be permitted to tie outside the Beef Barn area. Market Beef must feed at the provided areas near the Beef Barn. Exercise will be permitted in the show ring or around the livestock barns. All Junior Beef entries must remain in the designated bedding area at all other times. NO Junior Beef entries are permitted to spend the night anywhere other than their designated bedding area.
8. All exhibitors shall be responsible for keeping their bedding and feeding areas fresh and clean. They shall also be responsible for keeping the Beef Barn aisles clean for fair visitors. All hay, feed and waste should be picked up and put in the provided bins. Watering down the aisles and bedding areas is suggested to keep the dust down and the animals healthy.
9. Specie Superintendent has the right to combine classes if there are less than five entries. (commercial with commercial, registered with registered, or combination of both)
10. Exhibitors must show proof of ownership to Junior Livestock Superintendent or Ag. Ed. Advisor by March 25, 2023.
11. Cattle are to be weighed on Monday, August 7, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.
12. No full enclosures, cattle must be tied to the fence.

Health Requirements

1. A NEGATIVE TB TEST IS REQUIRED ON HEIFERS.

Cattle Check-in:

6 am – 11 am – All Cattle Inspection and Check-in

12 pm – 3 pm – All Cattle Exhibitors may unload tack and trim chutes

1. All cattle can be unloaded at the West Exhibitor Gate and led into the barns unless a health check is necessary.
2. Do not block West Exhibitor Gate entrance; it is used as an exit for other species unloading.

Breeding Heifers – PREMIUM SHOW ONLY:

1. Registered Breeding Heifers must have papers issued by their breed association with Exhibitor listed as owner.
2. Beef Heifers will be shown by age classes within their own breed.
3. Unregistered Breeding Heifers will show in the Cross class.
4. Must have 5 entries to compete as own registered breed, otherwise will show in the Cross class.
5. First and second in each class will be shown for overall Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Breed Heifer.
6. If 5 or more entries and a sponsor is available, prizes will be Grand \$2,500 and Reserve Grand \$1,250. If less than 5 entries and a sponsor is available, prizes will be Grand \$1,250 and Reserve Grand \$625. Exhibitor is only eligible for one (1) premium. This is contingent upon a sponsor available/named for this specifically. Lea County is not responsible for providing the prize money.

Market Heifers:

1. **Must be beef breed.**
2. Market Heifers must weigh 1,000 pounds to be eligible to show.
3. No top limit.
4. 1,300 pounds is the maximum packer weight.
5. Market Heifers must have a veterinary certificate stating that the Heifer is open within 30 days of check-in.
6. First and second place Heifers will show against Market Steers for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef.
7. Classes of 5 will sell 1; Classes of 6 and over will sell 2.

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8. If a Market Heifer wins Grand or Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef the Heifer will be eligible to sell.
9. If less than 5 in a class, Heifers will show with Market Steer.

Market Steer:

1. **Must be beef breed.**
2. Market Steers must weigh 1,000 pounds to be eligible to show.
3. No top weight.
4. 1,300 pounds is the maximum packer weight.
5. Market Steers will be classified by WEIGHT and made into 5 classes (if numbers permit).
6. First and second place in each class will show for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion.
7. If a Market Steer is entered in the show and begins showing, the exhibitor must show as far as merited unless pulled or excused by Fair Officials, Livestock and Specie Superintendents. All Officials and Superintendents must be in agreement.
8. Pen assignments are determined by the Specie Superintendent. Moving of pen assignment without prior approval from the Specie Superintendent will result in disqualification.



Cloverbud Beef Showmanship

Showtime: Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 8:30 a.m.

Superintendent: Jace Reid

Assistant Superintendent: Clayt Reid

*****PLEASE NOTE FOR 2023 ONLY: Exhibitor does not have to be enrolled in 4-H, but be of Cloverbud age, which is ages 5-8 years old. You must provide a birth certificate at the tagging before the calf will be tagged. Effective for 2024 the exhibitor MUST be enrolled in the 4-H program, as a Cloverbud, in order to be eligible to show.**

Cattle Check-in:

6 am – 11 am Sunday, August 6, 2023, or
12 pm – 2 pm Wednesday, August 9, 2023 (please use the West gate)

Cloverbud Beef:

1. Must be beef breed.
2. Max weight 350 lbs.
3. All animals must follow NMLB Laws regarding branding.
4. Exhibitor should be able to control their animal.
5. This class will be judged on showmanship only.

Dairy Heifer Department

Showtime: Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.
Superintendent: Tim Amezcua

Dairy Heifers

1. All rules in General Livestock apply, with additional rules pertaining to species as follows:
2. Specie Superintendent has the right to combine classes if there are less than five entries.
3. Heifers are not required to be registered, but must show purebred characteristics of their breed.
4. A copy of the Bill of Sale and Birthdate verification are to be given to the Junior Livestock Superintendent or Ag. Ed Advisor at the time of tagging. Verification will be provided by an acceptable picture or printout from breeder's record. Bill of Sale MUST have breeder's signature and contact information.
5. Premiums are not paid on classes with less than 5 entries.
6. Exhibitor must show proof of ownership to Junior Livestock Superintendent or Ag Education Advisor by May 18, 2023.
7. Exhibitors are to have the breeder certificate at all times.
8. All Heifers will be weighed and classified by age on Monday, August 7, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.
9. There will be 7 classes broken by age. Two animals sold per class, with Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion allowing for one extra animal for their respective class. *If entries are sufficient.*

10. Ages as follows:

Class 1 – March 1, 2023, over 4 months

Class 2 – December 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023

Class 3 – September 1, 2022 – November 30, 2022

Class 4 – June 1, 2022 – August 31, 2022

Class 5 – March 1, 2022 – May 31, 2022

Class 6 – December 1, 2021 – February 28, 2022, ***should be bred***

Class 7 – September 1, 2021 – November 30, 2021, ***not in milk, must be *bred.*** *Preg tests will be performed after weigh-in on Monday, August 7, 2023. A veterinarian will be onsite and all cattle will be checked.



11. First and Second place in each class will be shown for overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Heifer.
12. If a Dairy Heifer is entered in the show and begins showing, the Exhibitor must show as far as merited unless pulled or excused by Fair Officials, Junior Livestock Superintendent and Specie Superintendent. All Officials and Superintendents must be in agreement.
13. Pen assignments are determined by the Specie Superintendent. Moving of pen assignment without prior approval from the Specie Superintendent will result in disqualification.

Health Requirements

1. Heifers must be vaccinated against brucellosis before being allowed to show – it is suggested all showmen have their cattle vaccinated before 10 months of age.

2. A NEGATIVE TB TEST IS REQUIRED.

Market Lamb Department

Showtime: Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 5:00 pm.

Superintendent: Dalton Greebon

Assistant Superintendent: Trisha Greebon

Market Lambs

1. All rules in General Livestock apply, with additional rules pertaining to species as follows:
2. Only lambs (under one year of age) are eligible to show:
 - a. Only wether and ewe lambs can be shown,
 - b. Lambs may be purebred or grade,
 - c. Lambs not having lamb teeth will be considered over one year of age.
3. All lambs **MUST** be shorn for veterinary inspection before check-in date.
ALL COVERINGS (Leg wraps, blankets, etc.) MUST BE OFF PRIOR TO SEEING VET AT CHECK-IN.
4. Lambs shall be exhibited with a uniform fleece except for boots and a top knot.
5. No halters during the show.
6. Lambs will be weighed and classified on Monday, August 7, 2023; *twenty minutes* after the conclusion of the swine weighing and classification! Classifier will be call up by breed name and then classify. Breed will be combined if deemed necessary by the Specie Superintendents and Fair Officials. *Lambs must be haltered for weigh & classify.*
7. Lambs being wet down with water before weigh-in and classification will be disqualified.
8. Minimum weight on lambs will be 70 pounds. Open top show weight.
9. Market lambs will sell by the head.
10. For a breed to be shown separately it should equal 1/12th of the total lambs entered.
11. Market lambs will be divided into eight breeds, provided there are sufficient entries, otherwise, they will be grouped into breeds which is deemed as the best interest of the Exhibitors and approved by the Junior Livestock Superintendent.
12. All Black Face lambs are one breed (class is broken by show weights; divisions depending on number of entries).
13. Specie Superintendents reserve the right to combine all white face classes and all Speckle Face (cross) classes if entries are low.
14. First and second place winners will show for Breed Champion; with Breed Champions being shown for Overall Grand and Reserve Grand Champion.
15. If a lamb enters into the show ring, the Exhibitor must show as far as merited unless pulled or excused by Fair Officials, Junior Livestock and Specie Superintendent. All Officials and Superintendents must be in agreement. The animal is not eligible for the sale or packer.
16. No Portacools in the lamb barn.
17. Pen assignments are determined by the Specie Superintendent. Moving of pen assignment without prior approval from the Specie Superintendent will result in disqualification.
18. Must have 5 to make a class.

Breeds:

1. Fine Wool (include Rambouillet, Debouillet, and Delaine types – fleeces grade 64's or finer.
2. Western White Face (includes Columbia, Corriedates, Panama, Targhee, Cheviots, and crosses between these breeds –fleeces must grade 62's and below.
3. Fine Wool Cross (lambs must show 50% fine wool influence)
4. Dorset (to be shown in Mutton Cross class if not enough entries)
5. Southdown (must be shown in mutton Cross class if not enough entries)
6. Mutton Cross (all lambs that don't fit in another class)
7. Blackface (Suffolk, Hampshire, Shropshire crosses showing regardless of breed influence)
8. Dorper



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Market Swine Department

Showtime: Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

Superintendent: Trace Wilhoit

Assistant Superintendents: Andy Wilhoit

Market Swine

1. All rules in General Junior Livestock apply, with additional rules pertaining to species as follows:
2. NO AUTOMATIC WATERERS ALLOWED IN PENS!
3. NO FEEDING ALLOWED IN PENS, DUE TO MESS AND FLIES, with the exception of Sunday & Tuesday. FEED ONLY IN WASHRACKS!
4. A ramp will be available to use at your own risk. Lea County is not responsible for any accidents.
5. Minimum show weight on hogs is 180 pounds.
6. Top show and Junior Livestock Sale weight will be 280 pounds.
7. Hogs will be classified and weighed on Monday, August 7, 2023 at 7:00 a.m.
8. All wash racks will remain locked and closed on weigh and classify day until opened by the Specie Superintendent. **NO feeding will be allowed after 6:45 am and not until AFTER all species have been weighed.** **!!!!!!!NO FEEDING DURING WEIGHING AND CLASSIFYING!!!!!!!**
9. For a breed to be shown separately the breed should equal 1/12th of the total hogs entered.
10. Market swine will be divided into breeds provided there are sufficient entries; otherwise, they will be grouped into breeds by the Specie Superintendents, deemed to be the best interest of the Exhibitors and approved by the Junior Livestock Superintendent.
11. Wash Racks on show day are to be used by the Class following the one in the show ring. Attending Superintendent will call for the class to be in the wash racks. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!
12. If swine enter into the show and begin showing, the Exhibitor must show as far as merited unless pulled or excused by Fair Officials, Junior Livestock and Specie Superintendent. All Officials and Superintendents must be in agreement. The animal is not eligible for the sale or packer.
13. No Portacools allowed in the swine barn.
14. Pen assignments are determined by the Specie Superintendent. Moving of pen assignment without prior approval from the Specie Superintendent will result in disqualification.

Breeds:

Breed of Swine recognized at the Lea County Fair are as follows:

1. Duroc
2. Hampshire
3. Other Pure Breeds (OPB) – Yorkshire, Chester, Spot, Poland China, etc.
4. Crossbred – combination of any of the above breeds.



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Meat Goat Department

Showtime: Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Superintendent: Lou Ann Byrum

Assistant Superintendent: Trisha Greebon

Meat Goats

1. All rules in General Livestock apply, with additional rules pertaining to species as follows:
2. Goats shown need to still have milk teeth at the time of the show (no teeth missing unless a local Veterinarian has validated a reason for teeth missing).
3. All goats should be body clipped prior to entry so that they may be checked at entry for abnormal skin lesions, such as ringworm, club lamb fungus or warts by the onsite Veterinarian.
ALL COVERINGS (Leg wraps, blankets, etc.) MUST BE OFF PRIOR TO SEEING VET AT CHECK-IN.
4. Anything deemed contagious, by the Veterinarian, from goat to goat or goat to showman will be removed from the Fairgrounds immediately.
5. *Goats must be haltered for weigh & classify.*
6. NO ADHESIVES WILL BE USED!!!
7. **Meat Goats will be disbudded or dehorned. Disbudding is suggested. Spurs one inch or shorter will be allowed. Anything longer than one inch will be disqualified.**
8. Minimum show weight will be 50 pounds. Open top show weight.
9. Meat Goats will be sold by the head.
10. Goats may or may not be shown with a collar, halters are allowed. NO SPIKED COLLARS ALLOWED!!!
11. Classes will be broken by Specie Superintendents according to weight and deemed to be the best interest of the Exhibitors and approved by the Junior Livestock Superintendent. Meat Goats will be by divisions depending on the number of entries.
12. Premiums are not paid on classes with less than 5 entries.
13. All first and second place Meat Goats, from each division, will show for the overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion.
14. Sale slots will be determined by class percentages. A minimum of 20 goats are allowed to sell.
15. If a Meat Goat is entered into the show ring and begins to show, the Exhibitor must show as far as merited unless pulled or excused by Fair Officials, Junior Livestock and Specie Superintendents. All Officials and Superintendents must be in agreement. The animal is not eligible for the sale or packer.
16. No Portacools allowed in the goat barn.
17. Pen assignments are determined by the Specie Superintendent. Moving of pen assignment without prior approval from the Specie Superintendent will result in disqualification.



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Horse Department

Showtime: Saturday, August 5, 2023 at 7:00 am
Yearling Showtime: Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 1:00pm
Superintendent: Jimmy Campbell

Section 1: Exhibitors and Horses

1. All Rules in General Livestock apply, with additional rules pertaining to species as follows:
2. Horses shown must have been the project of the 4H or FFA member.
3. The exhibitor must file an Identification Certificate along with coggins and vaccination records for his or her horse with the County Extension Office by April 1, 2023.
4. Any horse eligible for sale must present/advertise soundness and the integrity of the horse.
5. No exhibitor may receive payment for riding a horse that the exhibitor plans on showing at the fair.
6. Ribbons will be awarded through 6th place.
7. Premiums will be paid for the Novice, Junior, and Senior Classes.
8. There will be a two (2) minute gate time unless otherwise spoken for.
9. The show will follow AQHA rules, unless otherwise stated.
10. Horse Show Dress Code: This will follow the NMSF 4H Horse Show dress code and

AQHA. Rules as identified below;

- a. Dark blue or denim jeans
 - b. Long sleeved shirts tucked into pants. Long sleeved shirt is defined as a western style long sleeve shirt, with buttons or snaps down the front. This shirt will have a fold down collar that can have a button. NO SWEAT SHIRTS, TURTLENECKS, "SLINKIES", TSHIRTS, PULLOVER SWEATERS OR VESTS. In the event of inclement weather, Specie Superintendent may allow sweaters or coats.
 - c. Ties, scarves, and gloves are optional. NO CHAPS except in reigning class, and then they are optional.
 - d. Western hat or helmet must be worn in ALL Western Classes.
11. If a Horse has entered into the arena and begins to show, the Exhibitor must show as far as merited unless pulled or excused by the judge.

Health Requirements:

1. Coggins, VEWT, West Nile, and flu vaccinations are required on ALL horses when Horse certificates are turned into the Extension Office. Also have at the gate when entering Fairgrounds.
2. A receipt of purchase and/or a vet certificate must be available upon entrance into Fairgrounds if current health restrictions are requiring it.

Section 2: Stalls

1. Prospect Yearlings will receive first stall placements.
2. Prospect Yearlings are to be checked in and in their stalls by 11:00am Sunday, August 6, 2023.
3. Horse stalls will be filled in the following order depending on availability:
 - a. Prospect Yearlings.
 - b. Grand and Reserve Grand Futurity
 - c. Grand and Reserve Grand Versatility
 - d. Reigning Lea County Fair and Rodeo Queen and Princess
 - e. Other reigning Rodeo Royalty



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4. Other Stall requirements include the following:
 - a. Each exhibitor WILL display a large poster depicting their 4H/FFA project on the outside of their stall
 - b. Keep your stall(s) clean
 - c. Please use the appropriate manure containers
 - d. Exhibitors ARE REQUIRED to exercise their horse(s) daily
 - e. DO NOT leave hay nets up at night after you leave
 - f. If you lock your stall inform the Specie Superintendent of a lock number or placement key
 - g. Please provide a card with contact information for you and your Veterinarian to the Specie Superintendent
5. Horses that qualified for stalls and do not use them without obtaining permission from Specie Superintendent, will forfeit all premiums.
6. Any animal (horse) not cared for (fed, exercised, groomed, or stall(s) cleaned) WILL RESULT in a premium default.
7. Enter your 4H Horse posters in the 4H Handicraft & Home Ec Department (see Fair Book for rules). Include things such as your horse project story, photos dealing with your horse project, ribbons won during the current 4H year, etc. Decorate your poster however you like. The posters will be judged in the Horse Self determined class.

Section 3: Champion Performance Horse and Horseman:

1. Exhibitors showing more than one horse, the points for High Point will follow each horse shown.
 - a. Champion Horseman Point follows exhibitor based on exhibitor's ability. In classes where the rider is entered more than one time; only the highest set of points per class will count.
 - b. Champion Performance Horse based on Horse's speed and ability in Performance events, points follow the horse.
2. Performance classes will be divided into all age groups in the following classes:
 - a. Western Pleasure
 - b. Ranch Riding
 - c. Ranch Trail
 - d. Senior Reining

The rest of the classes will be broken into the three age groups unless specified Tie Breakers for Champion Horsemanship in this order

1. Showmanship
2. Ranch Horsemanship

Tie Breakers for Champion Performance Horse in this order

1. Western Pleasure
2. Senior Reining
3. Ranch Riding



Section 4: Class Point System:

Class points are determined by the number of entries per class. Points are only given to the Top 6 placings per class.

Example 1:

Class has 3 entries: 1st place = 3 points, 2nd place = 2 points, etc.

Example 2:

Class has 6 entries: 1st place = 6 points, 2nd place = 5 points, 3rd place = 4 points, etc.



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Section 5: Prospect Yearlings

Prospect Yearling Showtime: Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 1:00 pm

Halter Classes

100. Prospect Colt Class

101. Prospect Filly Class

Grand Champion Prospect Yearling

Reserve Grand Champion Prospect Yearling



1. Yearlings can be purchased from any breeder. Not closed to Lea County Breeders. Being Lea County bred, DOES NOT GUARANTEE a sale spot. There will still be a Lea County Breeder award.
2. Exhibitors must show Ownership and have horse(s) in possession by April 1, 2023.
3. Foals are to be yearlings (example: foaled in 2022 and shown in 2023). The on-call veterinarian *WILL* check the teeth of the prospect yearlings prior to its class on the day of the show.
4. The intent of this class is to try and teach our participant about one more important aspect of the equine business, that is the raising and selling of a horse less than two years old. As they learn they will hopefully see what it takes to make their program successful, not only in winning ribbons but in making money.
5. Any unregistered yearlings will have to be certified as to meeting the following criteria.
6. All rules for this program are made with the intent to help participants learn the ins and outs of breeding, foaling, raising, selling and improving the quality of their colts.
7. Male colts **MUST** be castrated.
8. The exhibitor may not fully own the prospect yearling, but should at least maintain $\frac{3}{4}$ or 75% of the yearling.
9. The yearling cannot be shown by the breeder during the time it is in the Exhibitor's ownership period.
10. Yearlings are to be fit and readied as if they were ready to be taken to a sale or shown to prospective buyers at home (*i.e.*: well fed, groomed, clipped, feet trimmed or shod, and of utmost importance, well mannered).
11. This class is set up for yearlings who exhibit qualities of an all-around performance horse. This may be a roping, ranch, barrel, cutting, pleasure, trail riding, show or English event horse.
12. This class will have 8 or less per class. If there are 9 or above the class will be split into 2 classes; broken by age. The odd one will be placed in the older class.
13. Yearlings not fit and ready will be sifted. Also any yearling that is misbehaving or uncontrollable to the point of being dangerous, in any way, **CAN BE AND WILL BE** dismissed from participating in the class at **ANY TIME UP UNTIL THE CLASS**.
14. There will be a pattern posted that exhibitors will have to put their yearlings through (leading them) at a walk and a trot (at the judges' discretion). Exhibitors will then line up and be judged for confirmation.
15. The top two (2) placing colts, per class, and top two (2) placing fillies, per class, will be sold in the Lea County Junior Livestock Sale.
16. A short bio about the horse can be provided, on a note card, to the Fair Office by 2:00 pm on Friday (Aug. 11th). The bio will be reviewed and shortened if needed.
The auctioneer will be the only one allowed to read or speak about the horse as it enters the sale ring.
17. If a Prospect colt or filly enters into the show ring, the Exhibitor must show as far as merited unless pulled or excused by the judge.

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Section 6: 2 year old Futurity:

1. The Futurity colt or filly must have been shown in the Lea County Prospect Yearling class the previous year.
2. Will follow the New Mexico State 4H Horse Show Rules and AQHA Rules for biting.
3. Must be under $\frac{3}{4}$ or 75% care of the exhibitor.
4. They will be shown in hand and under saddle.
5. The Futurity will consist of three (3) Performances; 1 halter and 2 riding classes.
6. Halter pattern will be posted the morning of the show and will be judges' discretion.
7. They will be asked to perform a simple pattern. The pattern will be posted the day of the show.
8. They will be judged on the following:
 - a. 70% performance; b. 30%; c. Moving in a natural and calm manner
9. Riders will mount in the arena for the 1st ride; riders will ride into the arena mounted for the 2nd ride.
10. Second (2) and final ride; Proceed into the arena as the class is called.
11. The Futurity placing will be called out upon completion of the final ride.

Section 7: 3 year old Versatility Class

1. The Versatility colt or filly must have been shown in both the Lea County Prospect Yearling and the 2 year old Futurity classes.
2. Each contestant will be asked to demonstrate their horse over 3-5 obstacles and proceed to the rail to be further judged as in a pleasure class.
3. The Versatility Class will consist of three classes; Halter, pattern, and a pleasure class.
4. Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion are eligible to sell.

Section 8: Halter Classes

102. Geldings, 5 years and younger
103. Geldings, 6 years and older

Grand Champion Gelding

Reserve Grand Champion Gelding

104. Mares, 2-5 years old
105. Mares, 6 years and older

Grand Champion Mare

Reserve Grand Champion Mare

Section 9: Performance Classes

106. Senior Showmanship at Halter
107. Junior Showmanship at Halter
108. Novice Showmanship at Halter
109. Senior Western Pleasure
110. Junior Western Pleasure
111. Novice Western Pleasure
112. Senior Ranch Horsemanship
113. Junior Ranch Horsemanship
114. Novice Ranch Horsemanship
115. Senior Ranch Trail
116. Junior Ranch Trail
117. Novice Ranch Trail
118. Senior Reining
119. Senior Ranch Riding
120. Junior Ranch Riding
121. Novice Ranch Riding



Section 10: 2 year old Futurity Classes

122. Halter class 2 year old Futurity
123. 1st Ride 2 year old Futurity
124. Final Ride 2 year old Futurity

Section 11: 3 year old Versatility Classes

125. Halter class 3 year old Versatility
126. Pleasure class 1st Ride 3 year old Versatility
127. Obstacle Pattern Final Ride 3 year old Versatility

Poultry Department

Showtime: Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 8:00am
Superintendent: Helen Nave

Section 1- Poultry

1. Birds not listed in the Standard of Perfection will not be accepted.
2. Entry fee: \$3.00 per bird, \$5.00 per broiler pen.
3. Exhibition Poultry:
 - a. Poultry entered in shows that are determined to be intrastate are exempt from rules b-f below in the succeeding year. All poultry imported from out of state for exhibition purposes must comply with rules b-f regardless of the size of show entered.
 - b. All poultry being exhibited in New Mexico shall be free of visible evidence of disease and infestations.
 - c. All exhibition poultry shall have passed a negative test for pullorum typhoid within (90) days prior of exhibition, with the results recorded on VS Form 9--2 or official form from the state of origin certifying that the testing was done by an authorized agent of that state.
 - d. Have originated from flocks which have met the pullorum--typhoid requirements of the National Poultry Improvement Plan.
 - e. Have originated from flocks not known to be infected with or have any evidence of infectious or contagious disease.
 - f. Poultry qualifying under 3 or 4 may be imported for exhibition purposes without an official health certificate if accompanied by an approved state or NPIP Form 9--2.
4. Entries will be brought to the barn and the Specie Superintendent will assign cages by 7:00pm Monday, August 7, 2023.
5. No exhibitor will be allowed in the department during judging. The barn door will be locked at 8:00am on Show Day. Only the Poultry Judge and the Fair Officials will be allowed in the barn area.
6. Check out will begin at 6:00am.
7. Ten (10) entries is the maximum (entries, not birds).
8. All awards must be obtained from the Specie Superintendent.
9. When entering you must indicate on entry Standard or Bantam Breed, variety and which of the following pertains to your bird:
 - a. COCK – Male bird hatched prior to January 1, 2023
 - b. HEN – Female bird hatched prior to January 1, 2023
 - c. COCKEREL – Male bird hatched after January 1, 2023
 - d. PULLET – Female bird hatched after January 1, 2023

Section 2 – Egg Producers

Premiums: 1st -- \$10.00; 2nd -- \$8.00; 3rd -- \$7.00; 4th -- \$6.00; 5th -- \$5.00

1. Each exhibitor is limited to 3 pens of 3 birds, maximum entry.
2. Ownership deadline is May 18, 2023.
3. Any standard egg production or dual purpose breed is allowed (example: White Leghorn, Road Island Red, or Barred Rock).
4. Do not mix hens and pullets within a pen and do not mix breeds within a pen.
5. The Grand Champion and the Reserve Grand Champion may be sold at the Junior Livestock Sale. However, if the same exhibitor has both the Grand and Reserve Champion, the Grand Champion pen will be sold and the next highest placing pen owned by another exhibitor will sell.



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6. Hen and Pullet definition is the same as for the Standard and Bantam Breeds.
 - a. Hens--Female bird hatched prior to January 1, 2022
 - b. Pullet --Female bird hatched after January 1, 2022

Section 3 – Broilers

Premiums: 1st -- \$10.00; 2nd -- \$8.00; 3rd -- \$7.00; 4th -- \$6.00; 5th -- \$5.00

1. There will be a limit of 3 pens of Broilers (3 Broilers per pen, per exhibitor).
2. Any pen of broilers weighing under 9 pounds or over 15 pounds will be sifted.
3. Broilers have to be under ownership of the exhibitor by July 2, 2023.
4. It is suggested they are hatched no earlier than May 19, 2023 and no later than June 22, 2023.
5. All broilers will be weighed by the Specie Superintendents and a Fair Official at 7:30pm Tuesday, August 8, 2023.
6. Exhibitors are to be present in person or through a representative to bring their broilers to the scales and witness the weighing.
7. All entries not meeting the following weight requirements will be sifted:
 - a. Individuals must weigh 3 to 5 pounds each.
 - b. Therefore, pens must total 9 to 15 pounds.
 - c. One individual too light or too heavy can eliminate a pen.
 - d. Pen changes can be made up until 7 pm Tuesday, August 8, 2023.
8. The Grand Champion and the Reserve Grand Champion may be sold at the Junior Livestock Sale. However, if the same exhibitor wins both, the Grand Champion and the Reserve Champion; the Grand Champion pen will be sold and the next highest placing pen owned by another exhibitor will sell.

Section 4 – Fancy

Premiums: 1st -- \$5.00; 2nd -- \$3.00; 3rd-- \$2.00

1. There will be a limit of four (4) individual entries.
2. Any Standard or Bantam meeting breed standards are allowed.
3. Ownership deadline is May 18, 2023.
4. The Grand Champion Standard and the Reserve Grand Champion Standard may be sold at the Junior Livestock Sale. The Grand Champion Bantam and the Reserve Grand Champion Bantam may be sold at the Junior Livestock Sale. If the same exhibitor wins both, the Grand Champion and the Reserve Grand Champion; the Grand Champion pen will be sold and the next highest placing pen owned by another exhibitor will sell.
5. When entering online you will have to indicate breed, variety and whether it is a cock, hen, cockerel, or pullet; include breed and variety.
Grand Champion Standard Fancy, Reserve Grand Champion Standard Fancy
Grand Champion Bantam Fancy, Reserve Grand Champion Bantam Fancy

Section 5 - Showmanship

1. Showmanship competition will be held on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 8:00am **prior** to the Poultry Show.
2. Age Groups – Junior ages 9 - 13 and Senior age 14 - 18.
3. Showmanship winners will be announced at the end of Showmanship class.

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Rabbit Department

Showtime: Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 8:00am

Superintendent: Amber Sellers

Assistant Superintendent: Karen Thompson

Section 1 – Rabbits

Premiums: 1st -- \$5.00; 2nd -- \$3.00; 3rd -- \$2.00

1. ALL EXHIBITORS MUST CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT WITH SUPERINTENDENT.

2. Filing of an entry signifies acceptance of the latest A.R.B.A. rules.
3. The Lea County Fair Board and/or show officials will not be responsible for any loss or damage to person, animal, or property. However, every precaution will be taken to eliminate any danger.
4. All rabbits must be plainly and permanently ear marked in the left ear for identification.

5. NO SUBSTITUTIONS OF RABBITS ALLOWED.

6. Rabbits must be marked prior to the time of check in. All single rabbits must have tattoos and description turned in by ownership deadline. Meat Pen ownership deadline: July 15, 2023.
7. Show Officials will not tattoo rabbits the week of the Fair.
8. Any animal showing symptoms of any disease of any kind will not be permitted in the barn, according to the A.R.B.A. Rules and Regulations. Any animal developing such signs must be removed from the barn.
9. Any person interfering with the judge or judging in any way will cause the exhibit to be disqualified.
10. The judge will be instructed to place the rabbit according to his/her judgment.
11. If the rabbit is unworthy of an award it must be stated and placed as such. The judge's decision is final.
12. Entry forms must be complete, and have all information. Entries must include exhibitor's name, address, phone number, the rabbit's breed and variety, ear number, age (class), and sex.
13. Entry fees are \$3.00 per rabbit, \$5.00 per meat pen and \$5.00 per baker rabbit.
14. Rabbits will be checked in Monday, August 7, 2023 from 8:00am to 7:00pm. Rabbits may be checked in by appointment only on Sunday, August 6, 2023. All exhibitors must check-in with Specie Superintendent. Exhibitor will not be allowed to show if check-in procedures are not followed.
15. Rabbits will be released Sunday, August 13, 2023, between 6:00am and 12:00 noon. **All exhibitors must check-out with Superintendent.** Exhibitor will forfeit premiums if check-out procedures are not followed, and exhibitor will not be allowed to show the following year.
16. 4H and FFA members will be asked to bring their rabbits to and from the judging table. The breed will be called 3 times only. If unable to do so because of other judging please make arrangements with the Superintendent.
17. Ten (10) entries is the maximum (entries not rabbits).
18. Classes Separated by Breeds:

Senior Doe 6 months or older	*Intermediate Buck 6 to 8 months of age
Senior Buck 6 months or older	Junior Doe under 6 months of age
*Intermediate Doe 6 to 8 months of age	Junior Buck under 6 month of age
Baker (5.5lbs to 8.5lbs) under 6 months of age	

**Intermediates pertain to English & French Lops, Satins, California, New Zealands, Giant Angora, American, Beveren, Champagne & Crème D'Argent, Checkered & Flemish Giant, American & Giant Chinchilla, Cinnamon, Hotot, Silver Fox, Palomino, and Silver Martin.*

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Section 2 – Meat Pens

Premiums: 1st -- \$10.00; 2nd -- \$8.00; 3rd -- \$7.00; 4th -- \$6.00; 5th -- \$5.00

1. Meat pens consist of three (3) rabbits. They shall not be more than 70 days old (born after May 27, 2023). There will be a limit of 3 pens of rabbits per exhibitor.
2. Meat Pen Weigh--In is Wednesday, August 9, 2023 from 4:00pm to 7:00pm. Individual meat pen rabbits must weigh between 3 1/2 to 5 1/2 pounds.
3. Entry fee is \$5.00 per meat pen.
4. Meat pens must be in the hands of the exhibitor at least 4 weeks prior to the Fair.
5. Deadline will be July 15, 2023.
6. Two meat pens of rabbits will be sold in the Junior Livestock Sale. Exhibitors can sell only one meat pen. The Grand Champion Pen will have the option to sell then the Reserve Grand Champion Pen. If owned by the same exhibitor the next highest placing pen owned by another exhibitor will sell. Also selling will be Best 6 Class and Reserve Best 6 Class and Best 4 Class and Reserve Best 4 Class, Grand Baker, Grand Meat Pen and Reserve Grand Meat Pen.
7. Rabbits will be released Sunday, August 13, 2023 starting at 6:00am to 12noon.

Section 3 – Bakers

Premiums: 1st -- \$10.00; 2nd -- \$8.00; 3rd -- \$7.00; 4th -- \$6.00; 5th -- \$5.00

1. Bakers consist of one (1) rabbit. They shall be under 6 months of age. There will be a limit of 3 rabbits per exhibitor.
2. Entry fee is \$5.00 per baker pen.
3. Deadline is May 18, 2023.
4. One Baker rabbit will be sold in the Junior Livestock Sale. Exhibitors can sell only one baker. The Grand Champion baker will have the option to sell then the Reserve Grand Champion baker. If owned by the same exhibitor the next highest placing baker owned by another exhibitor will sell. Also selling will be Best 6 Class and Reserve Best 6 Class and Best 4 Class and Reserve Best 4 Class, Grand Baker, Grand Meat Pen and Reserve Grand Meat Pen.
5. One Baker rabbit will be sold in the Junior Livestock Sale.
6. Rabbits will be released Sunday, August 13, 2023 starting at 6:00am to 12noon.

Section 4-- Showmanship

1. Showmanship competition will be held on Thursday, August 10, 2023 following the meat pen competition.
2. Age Groups – Junior ages 9 - 13 and Senior age 14 - 18.
3. Showmanship winners will be announced at the end of Showmanship class.



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Lea County Breeder Show Department

Market Beef, Lamb, Swine, Meat Goat, Dairy Heifer and Horse

1. No special entry fees
2. No premiums will be paid.
3. No sale status will be given – this class is strictly for breeder recognition.
4. To be held after the Grand and Reserve have been named for a particular species.
5. The Lea County Breeders Class will consist of livestock, including horses, born and raised in Lea County. Market Beef, Horse and Dairy Heifer will need 2 entries. Lamb, Swine and Meat Goat will need 3 entries. The judge will select animals, by specie, that will be Lea County Breed Champion for the current year.
6. A plaque will be awarded to the breeder of the 1st place Lea County Breed in each species. Must enter other appropriate classes in Junior Livestock Show.

Special Livestock Awards Department

Presented Friday, August 11, 2023 at 5:30pm

THANK YOU CARDS MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE FAIR OFFICE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 2023 AT 12PM – NO EXCEPTIONS!

1. All Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Livestock Buckles, including Horse, will be awarded to exhibitors.
2. All Junior & Senior Showmanship Buckles, including Horse, will be awarded to exhibitors.
3. All Herdsmanship Awards for Livestock and Horse will be awarded to exhibitors.
4. Lea County Top Hand – Livestock Award
 - a. To be considered for the Top Hand - Livestock Award the exhibitor must show in 2 or more barns in the livestock department.
 - b. This award will go to the best all-around livestock exhibitor selected by a special committee based on the following items in order of importance:
 1. Sportsmanship
 2. Assistance to other exhibitors
 3. Cooperation with Fair Officials
 4. Showmanship & care of animals
5. Lea County Top Hand - Horse Award
 - a. To be considered for the Top Hand - Horse Award the exhibitor must show in the horse department.
 - b. This award will go to the best all-around horse exhibitor selected by a special committee based on the following items in order of importance:
 1. Sportsmanship
 2. Assistance to other exhibitors
 3. Cooperation with Fair Officials
 4. Showmanship & care of animals
6. Futurity and Versatility Grand Champion saddles and Reserve Grand Champion buckles awarded.

Showmanship

Showmanship is defined as the ability to present your animal to the best of its genetic ability and involves knowing the basic skills of the show ring, while brining attention to the animal's strengths and minimizing the animal's weaknesses.

1. Two age groups – Junior (9 - 13); Senior (14 - 18)
2. Exhibitors interested in competing for showmanship in Market Beef, Lamb, Swine, Dairy Heifers and Meat Goats will need to return to the show ring upon conclusion of livestock show.
3. Buckles will be awarded at the Livestock Awards.
4. Showmanship winners will be recognized with awards on Friday, August 11, 2023 at 5:30pm.

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5. The selection for showmanship class will be based on the following:

a. Care and fitting of the animal	10
b. Training of animal	10
c. Showmanship ability of exhibitor	50
d. Conduct in the show ring	15
e. Cooperation with Fair Officials	15
Total	100

6. Exhibitor(s) guilty of sweeping wool, manure or other material in front of or behind another exhibitor's animal will not be considered in the final showmanship judging.

Herdsmanship

Herdsmanship is defined as the general cleanliness of pen, barn and storage area, appearance of animals and arrangement of supplies.

1. There will be herdsman awards to the Beef Cattle, Lamb, Swine, Horse, Meat Goats, Dairy Heifer, Poultry and Rabbit for the exhibitor who keeps the most attractive display and cooperates with Fair Officials.
2. Awards will be presented on Friday, August 11, 2023 at 5:30pm.
3. Selection committee is composed of the Junior Livestock Superintendent, Ag. Education Advisor and Specie Superintendents.
4. Exhibitor(s) guilty of sweeping wool, manure or other material in front of or behind another exhibitor's animal will not be considered in the final showmanship judging.

Group Herdsmanship

1. There will be a group Herdsman award for Beef Cattle, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goats, and Dairy Heifers for the group who keeps the most attractive area and cooperates with Fair Officials.
2. Groups are recognized 4H Clubs and FFA Chapters.
3. Awards for this will be furnished by the Lea County Fair Board.
4. The Selection Committee is composed of Specie Superintendents, Livestock Superintendent and at least one disinterested person.

Junior Livestock Sale Department

Sale Time: August 12, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

1. The Lea County Junior Livestock Sale will be held in the Show Arena at the Fairgrounds, Saturday, August 12, 2023 starting at 9:00 a.m.
2. The County shall collect two percent of the sale proceeds, not including add-ons, as an administrative fee (1%) and promotions (1%).
3. Lea County will provide one (1) Livestock Sale picture for each Sale Lot. It is the responsibility of the Exhibitor to purchase additional photos, from the Livestock Sale Photographer, if there are multiple buyers.
4. Livestock Sale checks will not be released until the Sale Picture form is signed by the buyer and returned to the Fairgrounds Office and the buyer(s) have paid.
5. Winning bids will be invoiced no later than 2 weeks after the sale. Invoices shall be paid in full by the winning bidder within 90 days of the date of invoice.
6. Any livestock animals that have been sold previously in a Junior Livestock Sale are NOT eligible for the Lea County Junior Livestock Sale.
7. Selected animals consisting of approximately 2 per class for each of the following: Market Swine and Market Lamb. Meat Goat sell 2 per class (not exceeding 9 classes), limit one goat per exhibitor. Market Beef and Dairy Heifers sell 3 per class, limit one per exhibitor. Prospect Colt and Filly sell two per class, limit one per exhibitor. Versatility Horse sell 2 per class, limit one per exhibitor. Senior Sweepstakes Home Economics Cake, limit one. Grands and Reserve Grands can pull one additional animal into sale out of respected class, per permission of Superintendent and Fair Board Officials. Poultry has eight sale slots Grand and Reserve Grand of each division, one slot per exhibitor only. Rabbits have seven sale slots total.

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8. The following is the order in which the sale will go (order is determined by judges placing) 1) Senior Sweepstakes Champion, 2) Beef, 3) Lamb, 4) Swine, 5) Dairy Heifer, 6) Pen of Broilers, 7) Rabbit, 8) Meat Goat, 9) Prospect Colt, 10) Prospect Filly, 11) Versatility.
9. An exhibitor will be limited to two (2) items to sell at auction, but only one (1) large animal, Large animals consist of Market Steer, Market Heifers, Dairy Heifers, Prospect Colts and Fillies and Versatility Horses.
10. Only one (1) large animal, one (1) meat goat, one (1) pen of broilers, one (1) pen of egg producers, one (1) pen of bantam fancy, one (1) pen of standard fancy, one (1) single rabbit per class, and one (1) meat pen of rabbits are allowed to be sold by one exhibitor.
11. Sale combination is as follows:
 - a. One large animal with any other small animal
 - b. Two (2) Market Lambs
 - c. Two (2) Market Swine
 - d. EXAMPLE: One (1) Market Beef with any small animal combination
 - e. A single sale item of any species and cake
12. The official sale weight for all market stock will be the official weight as recorded on weigh day by the official in charge of scales. Please refer to each specie department for maximum and minimum weights.
13. When animals are pulled from the sale in a class, the next placing animal in that class moves into sale position.
14. If sale slots allotted per class are not utilized, then the sale spot is forfeited and may not be used in other classes. Subject to change upon verification and approval from both the Superintendents and Fair Officials.
15. All animals going through the sale must be well groomed and ready to go into the sale ring when called.
16. **Animals** are not to be dressed up in any manner. (Glitter, ribbons, sashes, etc.)
17. All exhibitors are responsible for the care of their animals until delivery is made to the buyer or packer.
18. Exhibitors shall take their own animals into the sale ring unless excused by the Junior Livestock Superintendent before the sale starts.
19. Terms of the sale are cash unless buyer makes arrangement to be billed with the Fair Secretary.
*******Direct transactions with seller are not permitted*******
20. Any animal donated back to the exhibitor by the buyer is not eligible to show at the New Mexico State Fair or Eastern New Mexico State Fair.
21. Any exhibitor or anyone acting on their behalf, contacting a buyer for repurchase of livestock from premium sale, will forfeit Premiums and Junior Livestock Sale receipts.
22. **Deadline for disposition of animals eligible for the sale of champions is 5:00 pm. Thursday, August 10, 2023.**