

Small Animal Barn

NEW

Rule Book





2024-2025 Pasco County Fair Youth Show

Important Dates

Exhibitor Meeting – Tuesday, October 8th, 2024– 6:00 p.m. – Dan Cannon Auditorium

Mandatory for all 1st Year Exhibitors

Entry Deadline – Online Entry Sunday, December 1st, 2024

Educational Health Clinic (Clayton Hall) – Saturday, December 7th, 2024 – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. *Mandatory for All Poultry Exhibitors: Must Bring Show Animals for Tags* and *Rabbit Tattooing: No Changes after this event!*

Record Book, Poster, Decorated Animal, Animal Information Cards, Thank You Letters Collection – Sunday, February 9th, 2025 – 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Check-In – Sunday, February 16th, 2025 – 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. – Small Animal Barn Front Porch (poultry), Small Animal Barn Back Porch (rabbits).

Skillathon – Sunday, February 16th, 2025 – 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. – Immediately after check-in, held in Dan Cannon Auditorium.

Showmanship – Sunday, February 16th, 2025 – Exhibitors will choose a time slot at Record Book Turn In – Small Animal Barn Front Porch (poultry), Small Animal Barn Back Porch (rabbits).

Poultry Judging – Sunday, February 16, 2025 – Before Showmanship

Rabbit Judging – Sunday, February 16, 2025 – Before Showmanship

Poultry Awards – Sunday, February 23, 2025 – 11:00 a.m. – Madill Building

Rabbit Awards– Sunday, February 23, 2025 – 11:45 a.m. – Madill Building

Barn Clean Up/Release – Sunday, February 23, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

Small Animal Barn Show Rules

As of June 2020,

The Pasco County Fair Association adopted a new rule. This rule is for ALL Agriculture Projects. An exhibitor must be a member of a Pasco County 4-H or FFA. Exhibitors must also either live in Pasco County or attend a Pasco County School. Exhibitors must register projects to be eligible each year.

1. **Eligibility** – The exhibitor must own all animals by November 30th, 2024. Chapter and Club Animals are not acceptable, *this project is not a group project*. The exhibitor must own and care for their animals. Exhibitors must read and understand Pasco County Fair General Rules located at www.pasocountyfair.com. These rules include Safe Handling Practices, IAFE National Code of Show Ethics, and The Livestock Addendum. The Pasco County Fair Association, Inc. does not discriminate against any person based on age, race, color, sex, disability, relation, or national origin.
2. **Mandatory Ethics Certification** – The Pasco County Fair requires all exhibitors 8 and over (as of September 1st) to have Ethics Certification. Certification training courses are listed at the Florida State Fair website <http://www.floridastatefairag.com/pdf/files/live-ethicsformpub.pdf>. Any workshop listed on the site will work for certification. Pre-registration is required. Every three years these certifications expire, and you will need to re-register and complete the ethics again if yours expires before our fair.
3. **Exhibitor Meeting** –The seminar will be in Dan Cannon at the fairgrounds from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to review rules, entry procedures, point opportunities, ethics, skillathon, and help choose an animal to show. All exhibitors must stay for the entire seminar to receive all points. Exhibitors attending will receive 50 points toward the Overall Exhibitor Award. If there is a school related conflict or family emergency, please contact the committee via email **prior** to the start of the meeting and it will be up to the discretion of the committee whether you are excused or not. Excused absences will only receive half points towards Overall Exhibitor.
4. **Herdsmen** – The Small Animal Barn Committee will treat exhibitors, parents, fellow volunteers, and members of the public with respect and will expect the same in return. The Small Animal Barn Committee will not conduct business with those who use obscenities or otherwise speak in a demanding, loud, insulting, or

threatening manner. Volatile, hostile, or aggressive actions and words will not be tolerated, and individuals who engage in these activities may face penalties up to, and including, criminal prosecution. This policy promotes mutual respect, civility, and orderly conduct among all committee members, exhibitors, and parents. It is intended to maintain, to the extent that is possible and reasonable, a safe, harassment-free show for exhibitors, families, and volunteers, that is free of disruptive, demeaning, intimidating, threatening, or aggressive behaviors. Exhibitors can earn a Herdsman Award for their dedication to this standard throughout the fair. Some examples of herdsman activities include but aren't limited to exhibitors that help around the barn, sweep the barn, clean cages, water animals throughout the week, help others with their animals for ask me booth, etc.

5. **Record Book, Poster, Decorated Animal, Animal Information Cards, Thank You Notes Collection** – Record book, poster, decorated animal, animal information cards and thank you notes will be collected from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2025, at Clayton Hall. It is **mandatory** to turn in a **completed** record book. **No record book, No show. No exceptions. Posters will need to be signed off by 4-H or FFA leaders. No signature, No poster. No exceptions. No Thank You Notes, No Awards/Premiums. No exceptions.** *See Criteria Below for each turned in activity.*

6. **Arrival at the Fair** – Animals will be received from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. Sunday, February 16, 2025, on the front porch (poultry) and on the back porch (rabbits). Animals presented at any time after 10:00 a.m. will not be accepted into the fair. Vehicles will not be allowed on the fairway or near the barns during check-in. Health regulations will be enforced according to Chapter 5C-4 of the Florida Administrative Code entitled *Admission of Animals for Exhibition*. **Also see Pasco County Fair general Rules on safe Handling Practices located at www.pascocountyfair.com** . The **exhibitor**, not the parent, must cage/coop all animals in. There will be committee assigned helpers available. **Immediately after cooping in your animal(s)**, exhibitors should go take the Skillathon test that is held in the Dan Cannon Auditorium.

7. **Judging** – Showmanship will be Sunday, February 16, 2025, starting at 12:00 p.m. Judging of the animals will take place before showmanship. The decision of the judge will be final. The barn will remain closed until the fair is open to the public on Monday. Non-committee members are to remain out of the barn until

judging is complete and the barn is open on Monday. Animal Results will be posted as soon as possible after judging. All other results will be announced at the awards ceremony. In the event of a tie, a third-party judge will break the tie.



8. **Care of Animals During the Fair** – The Small Animal Barn Committee will feed and water all animals during the Fair. If your animal requires specific food, you must bring in a ziplock bag of the feed (**no treats**) labeled in sharpie with the exhibitor’s name, exhibitor number, and breed of animal. The committee will feed your animal this food when all the other animals are fed. If you cannot comply with this rule, you will be asked to remove your animal and forfeit all awards and premiums. Members of the Small Animal Barn Committee and the Pasco County Fair Association cannot and will not accept responsibility for any damage or injury to any entries in this show. It is the exhibitor’s responsibility to check their animals daily. All eggs collected during the fair become the property of the Fair Association and will be disposed of in an appropriate manner. *See Egg to Show for new details on eggs!*

9. **Passes** - Upon check-in, each exhibitor will receive **one** week-long pass for entrance into the Pasco County Fair. No additional passes will be provided by the committee. Exhibitors who require additional passes are encouraged to purchase a Pasco County Fair membership. Memberships may be purchased at the County Fair Office before the month of February. Memberships are encouraged, but not mandatory.

10. **Grievances** - An appeals committee composed of the Fair Ag. Committee shall receive and act upon any grievance arising out of an event. The grievance must be filed in the Pasco Fair Office in writing and accompanied by a \$25.00 cash deposit. If the grievance is overruled, the deposit shall be forfeited to the fair. **Judges’ decisions are final and are not subject to protest.**

11. **Record Book (Mandatory)**

- a. All exhibitors are required to enter a **completed** record book. No record book, No show.
- b. Record Books are available online at www.pascocountyfair.com and it must be the current year’s record book. Past years record books will not be accepted.
- c. Record books are required to be handwritten in black or blue ink by the exhibitor.



- d. **Completed** record books must be turned in from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in Clayton Hall at the Fairgrounds.
- e. Record books are required to be inside protective sleeves in a three-prong folder (color of your choice) or official 4-H record book portfolio. **Binders will not be accepted.**
- f. Record books will be judged on a 100-point scale.
- g. Exhibitors will be placed in 4 age divisions: K-2nd, 3rd-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th.

12. Academic Satisfaction Form (Mandatory)

- a. An unweighted cumulative 2.0 grade point average (GPA) or higher as stated on the school issued 2024-2025 report card for the first semester of school is required for eligibility to show.
- b. Proof of GPA must be submitted on the Academic Satisfactory Form available on the fair website and must be inside your record book at the time of record book turn in.
- c. The form must be embossed with the school seal or signed and stamped with the school stamp.
- d. **K-5th Graders are exempt from the 2.0 GPA but must have the Academic Satisfaction Form signed and placed into their record books.*

13. Educational Poster Contest (Optional)

- a. The poster must educate fair goers about the specified poultry topic as listed in the current skillathon manual. The poster may not be interactive.
- b. No previously used posters may be submitted.
- c. Posters must be on **paper poster boards** (*no foam or any other material boards will be accepted*) with dimensions of 14" x 22". Attachments on the poster must be less than 1 inch. Posters who do not meet this requirement will not be accepted at check-in.
- d. It is highly recommended that posters be portrait (up and down) instead of landscape (side to side). *If you choose to create the poster in landscape (side to side), your poster may or may not end up on the wall due to hanging space.*
- e. Exhibitors will attach the provided document to the right bottom corner of their poster. This document will include a place for the exhibitor number, exhibitor grade, sources used and a place for their 4H or FFA leader to sign. *This must be on the back of the poster, bottom right corner. If this is not on the bottom of the poster, we will not accept the poster! The posters must be signed off on just like the record books.*



- f. Exhibitors using a computer to create components of the poster must affix a statement to the back explaining how the computer assistance affected the poster's composition and visual presentation.
- g. Posters must be completed by the exhibitor and be attractive, easy to read and contain no grammatical errors.
- h. Exhibitors must give appropriate credit to any resources on the back of their poster.
- i. Posters must be submitted at the record book collection on February 9th from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in Clayton Hall at the Fairgrounds.
- j. Posters will be judged on a 50-point scale.
- k. Exhibitors will be placed in 4 age divisions: K-2nd, 3rd-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th.

14. Showmanship (Optional)

- a. Showmanship is optional and may be signed up to do it on your Entry Form, at Turn In, at Fair Check In, and/or a link for Sign Up Genius on our Facebook Page: PCF Small Animal Barn.
- b. Showmanship will be held on February 16th exhibitors starting at 12:00p.m. *If you need to make changes from when you signed up, contact the committee.*
- c. Exhibitors must dress neatly in official FFA or 4-H attire with closed-toed footwear.
- d. Showmanship competitors must use one of their animals entered in this show. *If your animal was not allowed into the show, you can still compete in Showmanship using an animal of the Committee's Choosing. However, no Overall Exhibitor points for Showmanship will be awarded.*
- e. Exhibitors will demonstrate showmanship skills on an individual basis to a judge. The judge will also ask questions to test the showman's knowledge of their animal and the project in general.
- f. Judging will be on a 100-point scale. However, the judges will have tie breaking questions built into their showmanship sheets. An exhibitor can earn over 100 points for showmanship, based on these tie breaking questions. Therefore, an additional 20 points can be added to their score for Overall Exhibitor calculations. *For example, an exhibitor earned 43 extra points because that's how many points were earned for the tie breaker questions. They would score a 143 on their showmanship paper. However, the exhibitor would only receive 20 additional points even though 43 additional points were earned towards Overall Exhibitor.*
- g. Exhibitors will be placed in 4 age divisions: K-2nd, 3rd-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th.



15. **Thank You Notes (Optional unless you want awards/premiums)**

- a. Exhibitors may earn additional points by turning in two (2) thank you notes (10 points each) for our sponsors.
- b. Thank you notes will be collected on Sunday, February 9th from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in Clayton Hall.
- c. The exhibitor will place their thank you note envelopes in the folder of the sponsor of their choice. When writing thank you notes, leave the name of the sponsor blank but please sign your name and you can write in the sponsor's name at turn in.
- d. Thank you notes are to be written by the exhibitor and in a professional format. For example, on a notecard or notebook paper, but **MUST** be in an envelope.
- e. **Neglecting to submit Thank You Notes will result in forfeiting all premiums and awards.**

16. **Ask Me Booth/Community Service (Optional)**

- a. All exhibitors will be able to sign up for their Ask Me times on Sunday, February 9th as well as Sunday, February 16th. Any changes from February 9th can happen on the 16th as well.
- b. K-2 Exhibitors may sign up to sit at the Ask Me Booth for 2 – 30-minute blocks that are on 2 different days throughout fair week.
- c. 3rd-12th Exhibitors may sign up to sit at the Ask Me Booth for 2 – 1-hour blocks that are on 2 different days throughout fair week.
- d. If an exhibitor would like to sit for a 3rd time, they absolutely can and that will count towards their Herdsman time if there are enough chairs for exhibitors that still need their time for points.
- e. Each completed session will earn 45 points toward Overall Exhibitor.
- f. Exhibitors must wear the Ask Me Booth lanyard that will be given to them by the committee designee as they sign in before they go get their animals out of the cage for Ask Me Booth. *This will ensure that every exhibitor signs in and out so that all points are calculated.*
- g. Exhibitors must wear appropriate clothing with no offensive messages. It is highly encouraged to wear 4H/FFA Club shirts and closed-toed footwear. *Remember, you are representing the Small Animal Barn and yourself to the entire Pasco County Community.*
- h. Ask Me Booth points will be awarded until 3:00 p.m. on Saturday.
- i. High school exhibitors who volunteer beyond the 2-hour limit may be eligible



- for community service hours. Arrangements must be made with a committee member, prior to volunteering. A committee member will be available to sign off on official documents provided by the exhibitor's school or other organization upon completion of volunteer hours.
- j. Exhibitors must be signed in and out by a committee designee to obtain points. *Please make sure that exhibitors do not just come in and grab their animals and sit down without signing in and getting the lanyard. No exhibitors should be taking out and holding their animals unless they are doing Ask Me Booth.*

17. Animal Information Cage Cards (Optional)

- a. Exhibitors may create a maximum of one informational cage card per animal entered to display with their animal for the duration of the fair.
- b. Cards should include information about your bird – name, breed, and interesting facts.
- c. Cards must be made by the exhibitor, professionally made cards will not receive points.
- d. Exhibitors receive 10 points for a card per animal. (30 points maximum)
- e. **Personal exhibitor information should not be displayed on the front of the card.**
- f. Exhibitors must put their number, grade, and breed of the bird on the back of the card. *NO EXHIBITOR NAMES SHOULD BE ON THE CARDS!*
- g. Cards may be no larger than 3"x 5" and may not contain stickers or any other objects attached to the card. *Stickers can fall off the cards throughout the week and become an unsafe snack to animals.*
- h. Cards will be collected on Sunday from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in Clayton Hall at the Fairgrounds, no points will be awarded if turned in after this time and date. *You can still bring them at fair, but you will receive NO points!*

18. Skillathon (Optional)

- a. A skillathon is an event that uses the experiential learning model of doing, reflecting, and applying to test one's knowledge.
- b. Exhibitors can earn up to 30 points towards Overall Exhibitor.
- c. You can find study material and information on the Skillathon at the Pasco County Fair website under the Small Animal Barn tab. *It is available to you quicker if you go straight to the Florida State Fair website and search for the Skillathon topic materials.*
- d. Premiums will be awarded to the First Place Winners in each Division.

19. **Overall Exhibitor** – To qualify for Overall Exhibitor, you must have an animal, present in the Small Animal Barn during the fair and have competed in all the following categories to receive the most points possible. The following are the opportunities and the possible points for each:

Seminar – 50	Entry Form – 20	Skillathon – 30
Record Book – 100	Showmanship – 100+	Poster Contest – 50
Ask Me Booth – 90	Information Cards – 30	Thank You Notes – 20
Decorated Animal - 10		
Total Possible – 500+ points		

*In the event of a tie for Overall Exhibitor, ties will be determined by Showmanship then Record Book scores.

20. **Committee Contact:** poultry@pascocountyfair.com

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Hannah Gillette		Selena Springer	Sandra Gonzalez



Small Animal Barn Poster Form

(Print, cut and attach this to the back right corner of your 14” x 22” paper poster board)

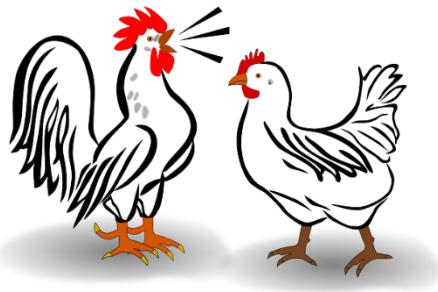
<u>Exhibitor #:</u>
<u>Exhibitor Grade:</u>
<u>Sources Used:</u>
<u>Leader Signature:</u>

Small Animal Barn Poster Rubric

Exhibitor # _____

Exhibitor Level _____

	10-8 points	7-5 points	4-1 points	Student Score	Judge's Comments
Required Elements	<p>All required elements on poster:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exhibitor Number on Back Right Corner 2. Correct poster size/thickness 3. Attachments on poster less than 1" thick 4. Current Skillathon Topic Used 5. Sited Sources if used on back of poster. 	All but 1 required elements are included on the poster	Several Required elements are missing from poster.		
Attractiveness	The poster is exceptionally appealing in terms of layout, design, and neatness.	The poster is acceptable, but not exceptional.	The poster is a little messy or unattractive.		
Content from Current Informational Skillathon Topic	Poster contains all accurate facts/details from Current Skillathon Topic displayed.	Poster contains several accurate facts/details from Current Skillathon Topic displayed.	Poster contains little to no accurate facts/details from Current Skillathon Topic.		
Grammar Spelling	There are NO grammatical/spelling mistakes on the poster.	There are several grammatical/spelling mistakes on the poster.	There are lots of grammatical/spelling mistakes on the poster.		
Effort	Clearly handwritten and neatly compiled poster. Excellent use of space and resources given. Easily read from 5 feet away.	Neatly Handwritten or Typed, well laid out poster. Nice use of space and resources given. Harder to read from 5 feet away.	Little effort was put into the poster. Mostly computer based. Alright lay out of poster but extremely difficult to read 5 feet away.		
Total (50)					



Poultry Specific

- 1. Entry Deadline** – Entries must be entered online by December 1st. An entry fee of \$8.00 for each bird entering the show must be submitted with the entry form. Each exhibitor may **enter 2 birds plus 3 back up birds that can be used if barn space is available for a total of 5 birds**. 20 points will be awarded for correctly filled out, on time entries. A late, incomplete, or inaccurate entry form will result in earning 0 points for entry form towards overall exhibitor.

****Opportunity to add up to two (2) more birds will be based on a first-come, first-serve basis and only available if there are enough pens in the barn. **Birds will need to be tagged on December 7th**.** You will be notified by email if there will be enough pen space available.

- 2. Educational Health Clinic** – MANDATORY FOR ALL POULTRY EXHIBITORS – All exhibitors may bring up to 5 birds that you plan to show at the fair from 9:00am – 12:00pm on December 7th to Clayton Hall for a mandatory tagging event. Each bird will be tagged with a tamper proof band on their leg to allow identification of the exhibitor’s project. For health reasons, the tag may be removed from the bird by a veterinarian or the small animal barn representative. However, you must contact the small animal barn committee before removal and must provide pictures of the circumstance. Tags can be removed at checkout time after the fair is over. Not only will you be tagged, but we will also offer a complimentary parasite check and optional treatments if you are interested. There will be a committee designee there to help with showmanship questions as you wait. No changes to entries will be accepted after this Event.

- 3. Acceptable Purebred Breeds** – Only chicken breeds recognized by the American Poultry Association in the Standard of Perfection will be accepted for entry in the Large Fowl and Bantam Divisions. To check recognized breeds, refer to the APA Standard of Perfection or the American Poultry Association website at http://www.amerpoultryassn.com/breed_classifications.htm. *It is recommended that birds be at least 6 months old at show time. Feed store poultry are mostly from hatcheries and unaccepted breeds for purebred poultry shows. However, these hens can be shown in the utility class.*





4. **Utility Class** – Due to cage space, we will no longer have a Utility Class. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

5. **Health Regulations** - A State Poultry Inspector will be present from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to blood test birds upon their arrival and this includes all NPIP birds as NPIP cards will not be accepted. Birds will also be examined upon arrival for any external parasites and any notable diseases or illnesses. **Only clean, healthy, parasite-free birds will be allowed to enter the barn.** Any birds with external parasites will not be allowed in the show and must be removed from the fairgrounds. Please ensure that your birds are clean and parasite free **BEFORE** bringing them to check-in. *If the exhibitor is not able to bring their own poultry into the barn due to the above health reasons, they will still be able to complete Showmanship with a bird of the committee's choosing. However, no Overall Exhibitor points or placements will be awarded for Showmanship for the exhibitor. The committee reserves the right to remove sick birds from the barn during the week.* If your bird appears sick, it will be isolated, and you will be contacted to come take the bird home. **The final decision regarding acceptance of animals at the fair is up to the Pasco County Fair Small Animal Barn Committee.**

6. **Barn Clean Up and Animal Release (Mandatory)** – Sunday, February 23rd, 2024 – 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. – Exhibitors (*not parents*) are required to assist with barn clean up before the start of the checkout process. *K-2 exhibitors may have one adult come inside with them to get their animals; this does not mean the one adult cleans for them.* Exhibitors are encouraged to bring tools such as shovels and brooms to clean out the barn. When the exhibitors time slot is over and they have cleaned, then their checkout will begin.

We will have K-2 clean from 6:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m., 3rd-5th will clean from 6:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., 6th-12th will clean from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. After the exhibitor clean up times have been completed, they will be able to check out. It will look like this:

K-2 ONLY -- 6:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. – empty and collect water and feed cups.
3rd-5th ONLY -- 6:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. – sweep shavings out of the cages onto floor.

6th-12th ONLY -- 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. – sweep shavings out of the barn into designated piles.

Once they enter the barn for their cleaning time, they will remove their birds immediately from their cages. A committee member will check the animal(s) to ensure the correct animal is going home with the correct exhibitor. Exhibitors, when their times are done, will retrieve coop cards to bring to a committee member for their areas to be checked. After your areas have been checked and the times are over, you will go to Record Book Checkout to pick up record books, educational posters, decorated eggs, and informational papers that will be given back to the exhibitor. Exhibitors will also receive premiums and strip ribbons. Then, you will be free to leave the fair.

***Any exhibitor failing to attend barn clean-up will forfeit all premiums earned. The Small Animal Barn will be closed promptly at 7:30 p.m. Any animal or exhibitor items remaining in the barn after that time will become property of the Pasco County Fair, unless other arrangements have been made with a Small Animal Barn Committee member.

7. Awards Program - The awards program will be held Sunday, February 23rd at 11:00 a.m. in the Madill Building.

a. The following will be awarded at the awards program:

i. **Bird Awards:**

Grand and Reserve Champion of Show
Champion and Reserve Champion Large Fowl
Champion and Reserve Champion Bantam
Champion and Reserve Class Winner
Best of Breed

ii. **Other Contest Awards:**

Egg Show – 1st, 2nd, 3rd

Exhibitor Awards:

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will be awarded in each age division for the following:

Record Book

Showmanship

Poster Contest

Decorated Egg Contest

Age Division Overall Exhibitors

Overall Exhibitor – selected from 3rd-12th grade division winners.

Herdsman Award

Skillathon Award

The following will be awarded at check-out on Sunday:

Strip ribbons awarded for record book, showmanship and poster are based on the following scale:

Blue: 100-90

Red: 89-80

White: 79-70

8. Overall Poultry Exhibitor (3rd-12th ONLY) - Exhibitors will compete with others in their age division to be named Overall Poultry Exhibitor for that division. Points are awarded for Record Book, Poster, Ask Me Booth, Showmanship, Information Cards, Thank You notes, Poultry Seminar, Decorated Egg, and correct completion of the Entry Form. Each division will receive 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place rosettes. Of the eligible 3 division winners, there will be one Overall Poultry Exhibitor awarded to the exhibitor who has the most points out of all exhibitors. The ties will be broken in the following order: Showmanship, Record Book, Poster.

9. Premiums – Premiums will be awarded at check out on Sunday for the following:

Bird Premiums:

Grand Champion	\$20.00	Reserve Champion	\$15.00
Class Champion	\$10.00	Reserve Class Champion	\$5.00
Best of Breed	\$3.00		

Exhibitor Premiums:

1 st Place Skillathon	\$5.00
1 st Place Showmanship	\$5.00

10. Egg Decorating Contest (Optional)

- Exhibitors may enter only one decorated egg.
- Exhibitors will be placed in 3 age divisions: 3rd-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th.
- Exhibitors in K-2nd will find their paper egg to decorate at the end of this Rule Book.
- 3rd-12th Decorated eggs must completely fit in a **zipped, quart sized storage bag**. Eggs not meeting this requirement will not be accepted and no

points will be awarded.

- e. Exhibitors are encouraged to use the fair theme, or a theme related to their poultry project.
- f. The exhibitor number and grade must be written on a 3"x5" card and turned in with the egg. Exhibitors must include a brief explanation of any important information about their egg that they want to share with the judge. This card is encouraged to be handwritten but may be typed. (K-2nd will write this on the back of their paper egg with their brief explanation.)
Do not write exhibitor name on the egg/card.
- g. **Exhibitors will put their exhibitor number on the bottom of their physical egg.**
- h. Eggs must be submitted to the record book collection on February 9th from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in Clayton Hall at the Fairgrounds.
- i. Only plastic, wooden, styrofoam or blown out eggs may be used.
- j. The Fair will expose of any eggs left after February 23rd at 7:15 p.m.
- k. Eggs will be judged on a 100-point scale based on theme, creative design, balance, neatness, color quality and skill level. Based on scores, up to 10 points will be awarded towards Overall Exhibitor.
- l. Care will be taken with entries, but the Committee will not accept responsibility for damage to or loss of entries.



11. Egg to Show (Optional)

- a. Exhibitors may choose to opt for their chickens' eggs that are collected during fair week into the Egg to Show Fundraiser.
- b. Eggs opted into the fundraiser will be collected and placed into a specific egg carton that will go home with a committee member to be incubated. *If your chickens that you are bringing to the fair, do not have fertile eggs or you are only bringing your roosters, you may donate up to 6 eggs from your show birds that you have at home.*
- c. Once the eggs collected have hatched, the committee will send out an email and make a post on the Facebook Page that they have hatched.
- d. It will be on a first come, first served basis to pick out your mystery chicks!
- e. Chicks will be \$5 with these proceeds going back to the committee to be used for awards and miscellaneous items for fair.
- f. You will have to learn about and raise your mystery chick in hopes of bringing your mystery chick to the fair the following year.

Pasco County Fair Youth Egg Show

1. All exhibitors must have a bird entered in the Youth Poultry Show.
2. Exhibitors may only enter one set of eggs. A set of eggs consists of 6 eggs, which should be uniform in size, shape, and color.
3. Eggs must be submitted in an egg carton. **Do not write exhibitors' names on the egg carton.**
4. Egg Information Card must be filled out and turned in with eggs.
5. Only chicken eggs will be accepted (brown, white or colored).
6. The eggs must be USDA small, medium, large, extra-large, or jumbo.
7. All eggs shown are to be selected by the exhibitor. Eggs should not be purchased from a grocery store.
8. Eggs must be submitted at time of check-in, **Sunday, February 16th from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.**
9. Eggs will be judged on interior as well as exterior quality.
10. Eggs become property of the Fair Association and will be disposed of in an appropriate manner after the fair is completed.

Egg Show Awards

1st Place (Rosette)

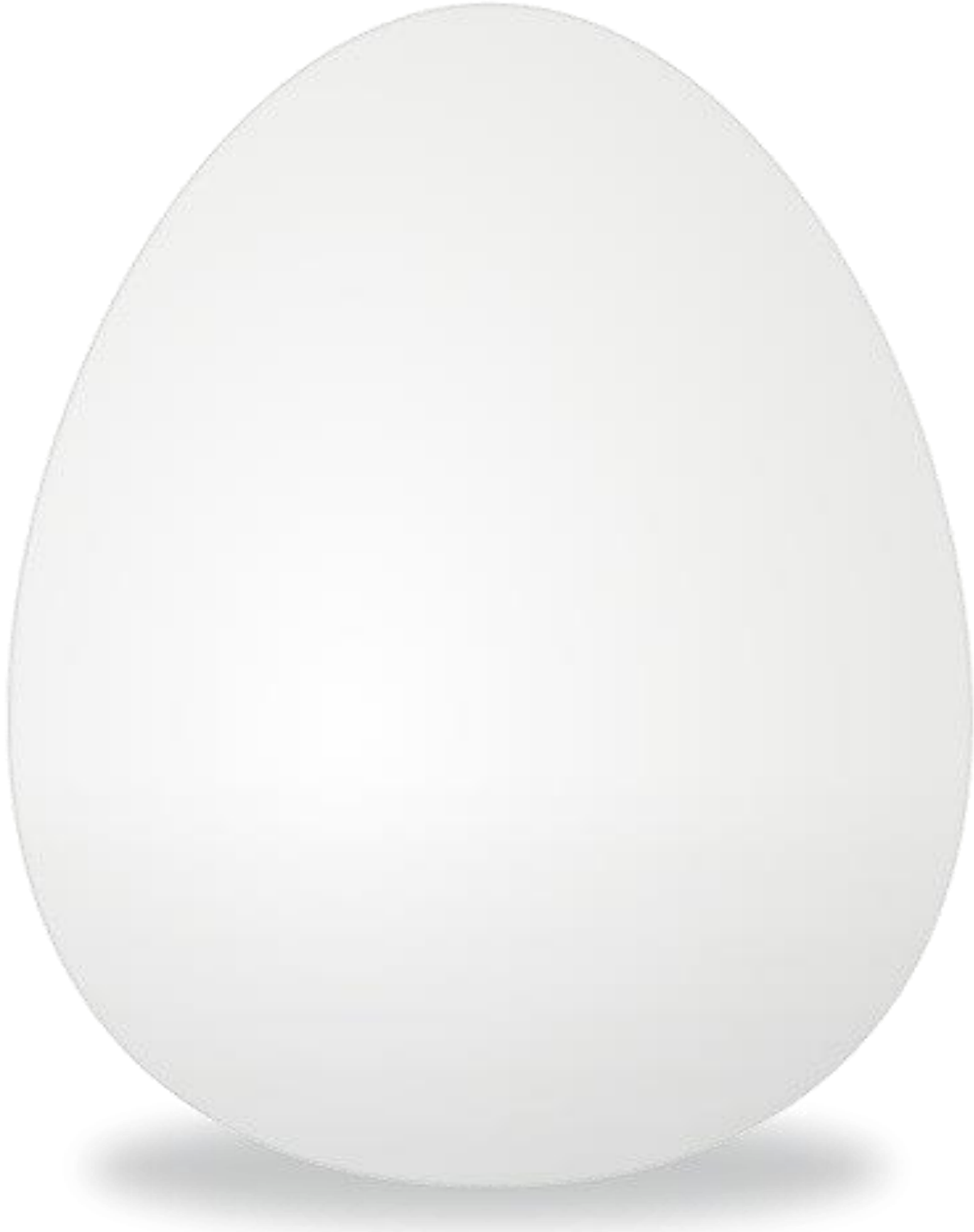
2nd Place (Rosette)

3rd Place (Rosette)

Egg Information Card – Pasco County Fair Youth Egg Show

Exhibitor Number: _____

Egg Decorating Contest (K-2nd Only)



The Pasco County Fair Association, Inc. does not discriminate against any person on the basis of age, race, color, sex, disability, religion, or national origin.



Rabbit Specific



- 1. Entry Deadline** – Entries must be entered online by December 1st. An entry fee of \$8.00 for each rabbit entering the show must be submitted with the entry form. Each exhibitor may **enter 2 rabbits**. 20 points will be awarded for entries on time. A late, incomplete, or inaccurate entry form will result in earning 0 points for entry form towards Overall Exhibitor.
**Opportunity to add up to 2 more rabbits will be based on a first come, first serve basis. You will be notified by email and the entry fee will be collected during record book turn in.
- 2. Educational Health Clinic** – HIGHLY RECOMMENDED FOR ALL EXHIBITORS
– All exhibitors may bring up to 4 rabbits that you plan to show at the fair from 9:00am – 12:00pm on December 7th to Clayton Hall for a tattooing event. Each rabbit will be tattooed with a number letter combination to allow identification of the exhibitor’s project. Not only will you be tattooed, but we will also offer a complimentary insect check and optional treatments if you are interested. There will be a committee designee there to help with showmanship questions as you wait. No changes to entries will be accepted after this event.
- 3. Acceptable Breeds**- Only breeds recognized by the American Rabbit Breeders Association in its Standard of Perfection will be accepted for entry. A complete description of each breed and breed standard can be found in the American Rabbit Breeders Associations’ Standard of Perfection. To purchase a copy of The Standard of Perfection visit <https://arba.net/recognized-breeds/>. **NO CROSSBREEDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
- 4. Identification** - Rabbits entered in the show must be permanently and legibly tattooed in the **LEFT** ear. Absolutely **NO** tattooing will be done on fairground property. **NO** tattoo numbers will be altered or changed **AFTER** December 7th, 2024. All exhibitors will need to attend the Educational Health Clinic for tattooing. Any rabbit whose tattoo does not match the number given on the entry form and/or cannot be read easily will not be allowed entry into the Pasco County Fair.
- 5. Animal Inspections** - Health Regulation will be strictly enforced by the committee according to Chapter 5C-4 via Florida Administration Code entitled “Admission of

Animals for Exhibition” and the ARBA Standard of Perfection. Animals will be inspected on the Back Porch of the Small Animal Barn. Each rabbit will be inspected by a committee member, or a person approved by the committee. Any animal exhibiting any sign of illness, parasite infection, or any other health concern will not be allowed to enter the barn or be judged. If upon inspection, if the rabbit has been found to be bred, it will not be allowed into the barn. Such concerns include but are not limited to; ear canker, pink eye, discharge from the nostrils, ears, eyes, mouth, teats, vent area or open wounds, parasitic infestations such as mange, skin mites, fur mites, ear mites, lice, fleas, ticks, vent disease, open and bleeding sore hocks, swelling of any body part, wry neck, obvious broken bones, and flaking of the skin or foreign particles of concern on the skin or any location on the hair shaft. Also, signs of recent infection including matting around the nose, ears, eyes, vent area, teats, and on front legs will also be dismissed from entrance into the show. The entry fee will not be refunded. *If the exhibitor is not able to bring their own rabbits into the barn due to the above health reasons, they will still be able to complete Showmanship with a rabbit of the committee’s choosing. However, no Overall Exhibitor points or placements will be awarded for Showmanship for the exhibitor.* **All final decisions concerning animal entrance will be up to the Small Animal Barn Committee.**

6. Care of Animals During the Fair- The Small Animal Barn Committee will feed and water all animals during the Fair. It is the exhibitor’s responsibility to check on their animals daily. However, rabbits do not leave their cages unless the exhibitor is doing Ask Me Booth. **There will be no extras in the cages during the fair (hay, blankets, toys, treats, etc.) unless approved prior to the fair by committee members.** If your rabbit requires specific feed, you will have to bring that feed in a gallon ziplocked bag, with the exhibitors name, number, and breed of rabbit(s) written in sharpie to Animal Check-In. Members of the Small Animal Barn Committee and the Pasco County Fair Association cannot and will not accept responsibility for any damage or injury to any entries in this show.

7. Barn Clean Up and Animal Release –(Mandatory)– Sunday, February 23, 2025 – 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. – Exhibitors (*not parents*) are required to assist with barn clean up before the start of the checkout process. *K-2 exhibitors may have one adult come inside with them to get their animals; this does not mean the one adult cleans for them.*

Exhibitors are encouraged to bring tools such as shovels and brooms to clean out the barn. We will have K-2 clean from 6:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m., 3rd-5th will clean from 6:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., 6th-12th will clean from 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. After the exhibitor’s clean up times have been completed, they will be able to check out. It will look like this:

K-5th ONLY -- 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. – empty and collect water and feed cups.

6th-12th ONLY -- 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. – sweep shavings out of the barn into designated piles.

Once they enter the barn for their cleaning time, they will remove their rabbit(s) immediately to their cages. A committee member will check the animal(s) to ensure the correct animal is going home with the correct exhibitor. Exhibitors, when their work is done, will retrieve coop cards to bring to a committee member for their areas to be checked. After your area has been checked and the time is over, you will go to Record Book Checkout to pick up record books, educational posters, decorated rabbits, and informational papers that will be given back to the exhibitor. Exhibitors will also receive premiums and strip ribbons (if they have turned in their two thank you notes). Then, you will be free to leave the fair.

***Any exhibitor failing to attend barn clean-up will forfeit all premiums earned. The Small Animal Barn will be closed promptly at 7:15 p.m. Any animal or exhibitor items remaining in the barn after that time will become property of the Pasco County Fair, unless other arrangements have been made with a Small Animal Barn Committee member.

8. Awards Program - The awards program will be held on Sunday, February 23rd at 11:45 a.m. at the Madill Building.

The following will be awarded at the awards program:

Rabbit Awards:

- Grand Champion of Show
- Reserve Champion of Show
- Third of Show
- Best of Breed
- Best Opposite Sex of Breed

Exhibitor Awards:

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will be awarded in each age division for the following:

- Record Book
- Showmanship
- Poster Contest
- Decorated Rabbit Contest
- Age Division Overall Exhibitors
- Overall Exhibitor – selected from 3rd-12th grade division winners.
- Herdsman Award
- Skillathon Award

The following will be awarded at check out on Sunday:

Strip ribbons for record book, showmanship and poster are based on the following scale:

Blue: 100-90

Red: 89-80

White: 79-70

9. Overall Rabbit Exhibitor – (3rd-12th ONLY) Exhibitors will compete with others in their age division to be named Overall Rabbit Exhibitor for that division. Points are awarded for Record Book, Poster, Ask Me Booth, Showmanship, Information Cards, Decorated Rabbit, Thank You Notes, Rabbit Seminar and correct completion of Entry Form. Each division will receive 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place rosettes. Of the eligible 3 division winners, there will be one Overall Rabbit Exhibitor Award. The ties will be broken in the following order: Showmanship, Record Book, Poster.

10. Premiums – Premiums will be paid for by the following: Premiums will be awarded at check out on Sunday.

i. Rabbit Premiums:

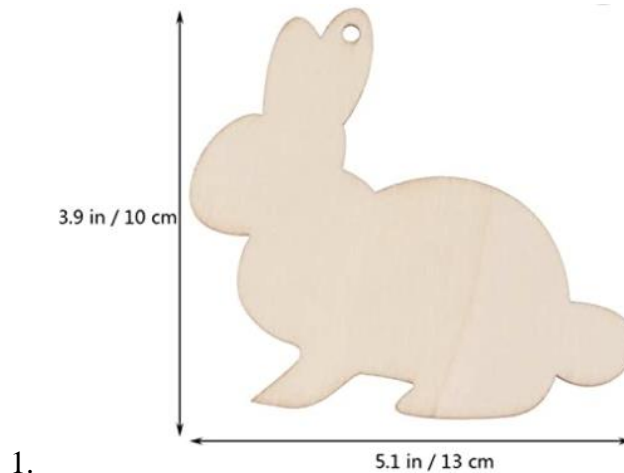
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| 1. Grand Champion | \$20.00 | Reserve Champion |
| | \$15.00 | |
| 2. Best of Breed | \$10.00 | Best Opposite Sex of Breed |
| | \$5.00 | |

ii. Exhibitor Premiums:

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| 1. 1 st Place Skillathon | \$5.00 |
| 2. 1 st Place Showmanship | \$5.00 |

11. Rabbit Decorating Contest (Optional)

- Exhibitors may enter only one rabbit that must be decorated by the exhibitor.
- K-2nd will find their paper rabbit to decorate at the end of this Rule Book.
- 3rd-12th wooden rabbits must be 10 cm by 13 cm. Rabbits can be purchased at the Exhibitor Seminar, at the Health Clinic, or from a retailer. Link to Rabbits: <https://www.amazon.com/Healifty-Unfinished-Easter-Cutouts-Ornaments/dp/B08T8YHMOV>



- d. Exhibitors are encouraged to use the fair theme, or a theme related to their rabbit project.
- e. **Exhibitor number and grade** must be written on a 3"x5" card and turned in with their rabbit.
- f. Exhibitors must include a brief explanation of any information about their decorated rabbit that they want to share with the judge. This card is encouraged to be handwritten but may be typed. (K-2nd will write this on the back of their paper rabbit with their brief explanation.) **Do not write exhibitor name on the rabbit/card.**
- g. Rabbits must be submitted to record book collection to receive points. Rabbits submitted at Check-in will not be judged and no points will be earned but will be displayed.
- h. Decorated Rabbits will be judged on a 100-point scale based on theme, creative design, balance, neatness, color quality and skill level.
- i. Exhibitors will be placed in 4 age divisions: K-2nd, 3rd-5th, 6th-8th, 9th-12th.

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