



SWINE

Check out the Youth Livestock Expo for another opportunity to show your livestock while at the Fair!

Superintendent: TBD

Phone Agriculture Office 716-649-3900 Ext. 6499

ENTRY DEADLINE: Monday July 14, 2025

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per class

Late Entry Fee for Entries 7/14/2025 or after: \$15.00 per class
(the late fee is instead of the \$5 early entry fee, not in addition to)

Entries made on 8/1/25 or later must call the office at (716) 649-3900 ext. 6499

Erie County Fair Email: entries@ecfair.org

Join us in celebrating 2025 4H, FFA, & Youth Livestock Expo Champions at the Breakfast with Champions Event on Sunday, August 17th at 9:00am. \$27 tickets can be purchased at www.ecfair.org

SWINE SCHEDULE

Arrival: Tuesday, August 12th, at 6:00am-10:00am- Barn 11
Check-in: Tuesday, August 12th 8:00am-10:00am
Exhibitors **MUST** be by their animals at that time (with animal registration papers)
Exhibitor Meeting: Tuesday, August 12th at 12:00pm- Barn 11
Show: Tuesday, August 12th at 4:00pm- Showplex
Judge: Mr. Quest Newberry
Release: Thursday, August 14th at 9:00pm

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SWINE RULES

1. **Please read all Rules & Regulations, IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and the Animal Health Requirements.**
2. All exhibitors must purchase either a \$20.00 Exhibitor's wristband or a \$100 Erie County Agricultural Society Membership. If you do not bring your animals to the fair, you will not receive your exhibitor wristbands.
3. If more passes are needed for your help, \$12.00 one-day workers pass can be purchased (quantity may be limited).
4. All New York State Veterinarian decisions are final and supported by Erie County Fair Staff uncalled for behavior will not be tolerated and can result in forfeit of premiums and removal from fair.
5. Youth exhibitors may enter any animal in the Open Class department. However, when entering in the open class the youth must pay ALL appropriate fees; this includes the exhibitor wristband, entry fees, and late fees.
6. **Entry fees do not guarantee "tack space/pens"**. In divisions where entries do not exceed available space "tack pens" will be assigned by the superintendent.
7. Exhibitors must be at least 4 years of age to exhibit livestock at the Erie County Fair.
8. Competition is open to exhibitors from the United States and Canada.
9. All animal waste must be taken to the manure boxes and not left on the pavement to mix with run-off or storm water.
10. Initial sawdust bedding will be supplied to exhibitors. However, if the exhibitor wishes to have shavings or straw they must bring it or buy it from a purveyor on the grounds. The Fair will not be providing straw or shavings.
11. Exhibitors must provide their own waterers.
12. **An official registration certificate must be shown on each animal (except crossbred). These will be checked for identification, ownership, and birthdates.**
13. All animals entered and shown in a group class must be entered in individual classes and must be owned by the same exhibitor/farm.
14. Rules of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Standards for the Conduct of Agriculture and Markets for Fairs and Summary of Livestock Health Requirements shall apply.
15. The decision of the judge shall be final in all cases, except where error, mistake, fraud, misrepresentation, or collusion, not discovered at the time of the award, is proven. In such cases, the decision of Show Management, or such referee appointed shall be final.
16. If you are planning on camping in the livestock lot, please note that payment does not guarantee a spot. You will be notified & refunded if camper lot is full.
15. **Exhibitors will be responsible to weigh their own hogs. All weights must be submitted to the superintendent no later than 10am on Tuesday, August 12th.**
16. Showmanship will be offered at the beginning of the show. Sign up will take place at check in with the superintendent.
17. Crossbred breeding gilts may cross enter into the market division or vice versa; however, a second entry fee must be paid.

Protest:

- a. Protests regarding any livestock competitions and events held by the Erie County Agricultural Society, during the Erie County Fair, in Hamburg, NY (Youth Livestock Expo & Open Class Livestock Shows) must be made in writing on the appropriate form (link here), plainly stating the reason for the complaint or appeal. This form along with a \$300 cash deposit must be submitted to the CEO of the Erie County Agricultural Society. The deposit shall be refunded **only** if the protest is sustained by the Erie County Agricultural Society CEO. If the protest is not sustained, the \$300 will be donated to the Erie County Agricultural Society scholarship fund.
- b. Classification and Judges opinion are not eligible for protest.
- c. Protests against the exhibition of animals shall be filed at least 3 hours before the start of the show that the animal/ exhibitor is being made against will show in.
- d. The CEO of the Erie County Agricultural Society may hold a meeting regarding the protest at which time the party making the protest may present evidence or argument in support of the protest.
- e. The written decision of the CEO of the Erie County Agricultural Society shall be final and shall be served by certified mail to the party making the protest within five days of the date on which the protest was heard.
- f. Exhibitors of animals at livestock competitions shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show.

Release Schedule:

For your safety and the safety of the public the Erie County Fair has a release schedule. This program was designed to eliminate the congestion of trucks and trailers on the Fairgrounds during release times. Each exhibitor will receive a time slot. Each time slot will be 30 minutes. You will only be allowed into the Fairgrounds with your truck and trailer for that time slot assigned. The exhibitor's that have the longest travel time will receive the earliest time slot. Multiple trips will also be considered. It is in each exhibitor's best interest to help each other load animals and tack.

DIVISIONS:

Berkshire
Chester White
Duroc
Hampshire

Landrace
Spot
Yorkshire
Any Other Breeds

All Purebreds will show by age and must have 6 or more head to warrant a breed.

ABOVE DIVISIONS

PREMIUMS \$22.50 \$20.00 \$17.50 \$15.00 \$12.50

1. Late Fall Boar- born November- December of previous year
2. January Boar- born January of current year
3. February Boar- born February of current year
4. Junior Spring Boar- born March-May of current year
Champion Boar, Reserve Champion Boar
7. Late Fall Gilt- Born November- December of previous year
8. January Gilt- born January of current year
9. February Gilt- born February of current year
10. Junior Spring Gilt- born March-May of current year
Champion Gilt, Reserve Champion Gilt
13. Young Herd, 1 boar, 2 gilts under 1 year
14. Get-of-Sire, 4 animals-same sire
15. Produce of Dam, 4 animals-same dam

CROSSBRED BREEDING GILTS

All Crossbreds will show by weight

PREMIUMS \$22.50 \$22.00 \$17.50 \$15.00 \$12.50

1. Gilts
Champion Crossbred Breeding Gilt, Reserve Champion Crossbred Breeding Gilt

CROSSBRED BOARS

4. Boars
Champion Crossbred Boar, Reserve Champion Crossbred Boar

Supreme Champion Boar - \$50 & Banner
Reserve Supreme Champion Boar - Banner
Supreme Champion Gilt - \$50 & Banner
Reserve Supreme Champion Gilt - Banner

MARKET HOGS

Class #1 \$18.75 \$15.00 \$12.50 \$10.00 \$7.50 \$5.00

Purebred Market Hog (Open to gilts and barrows. Registration papers required.)

Champion Purebred Market Hog

Reserve Champion Purebred Market Hog

Market Hog (open to gilts and barrows)

Champion Crossbred Market Hog

Reserve Champion Crossbred Market Hog

Grand Champion Market Hog - \$150.00 & Banner

Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog - \$75.00 & Banner

Showmanship Show:

There will be a Showmanship Show. Exhibitors can sign up at the Fair for the Showmanship Show. There will be no entry fee and no premiums awarded. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be chosen and given awards. The class breakdown is as follows (shown in order):

- Novice Showman- 1st time showman (4-21 years old)
- Pee Wee Showman – 4-8 years old
- Junior Showman – 9-12 years old
- Intermediate Showman – 13-16 years old
- Senior Showman – 17-21 years old
- Adult Showmanship- 22 years old and older

Herdsmanship Award: Three Herdsmanship awards will be given out to the swine exhibitors. Recipients of these awards will be judged daily by management, but not announced until the end of the stay.

1st place: \$62.50 and a banner

2nd place: \$37.50

3rd place: \$18.75

The following criteria will be considered for Herdsmanship judging:

1. Stall decorations should tie to the theme. This year's theme will be "**Sights, Sounds, Tastes and Feels of the Fair**".
2. Cleanliness & neatness of aisles, pens, bedding and animals.
3. Promptness in getting animals into the show ring and competence in show ring.
4. Courtesy to fellow breeders, spectators and others during the exhibit.
5. Personal appearance, including neatness and cleanliness of clothing in and out of the show ring.
6. Systematic and neat arrangement of feed, feed pans, bedding, tack, etc.