

2023 Clay County Agricultural Fair
YOUTH RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP
CONTEST
SUPERINTENDENT – Virginia Harris
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT – Dawn Wilson

Entries will be on-line only and can be found at www.claycountyfair.org

Cutoff for entries is March 17, 2023

Fair Office Phone: 904-284-1615

Show Date: Sunday, April 2, 2023 @ 3:00pm

Check-In Time: 2:30 pm

Location: Livestock Pavilion in the Show Arena

DESCRIPTION:

The Clay County Agricultural Fair will have a Rabbit Showmanship Contest. Rabbit showmanship is quite different from that of other animal species. Showmanship is to demonstrate a working and practical knowledge of an effective examination, evaluation and posing of a rabbit, to explore critical thinking skills and to know and demonstrate what to check for and why.

ATTIRE:

For showmanship all exhibitors will be required to be clean and neat and dressed in white, green, blue, black or tan pants with a solid long-sleeve white shirt with a white collar

ELIGIBILITY:

Open to anyone interested in rabbits. You do not have to be a resident of Clay County. Other 4-H counties welcomed.

DIVISIONS: (as of September 1st, 2022)

Pee-Wee (5-7) Juniors (8-10) Intermediates (11-13) Seniors (14-18)

AWARD:

All premium award money will be forfeited if not collected by the end of the Fair.

RIBBONS:

Individual Entries will receive Blue, Red & White Ribbons with Premium money awarded as follows:

Blue (80-100)

Red (60-79)

White (59 & below)

Premium Awards:

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| Pee Wee (5-7) | 1 st place-\$7 | 2nd place-\$5 | 3rd place-\$3 |
| Junior (8-10) | 1 st place-\$15 | 2 nd place-\$10 | 3 rd place-\$5 |
| Interm- (11-13) | 1 st place-\$20 | 2 nd place-\$15 | 3 rd place-\$10 |
| Seniors (14-18) | 1 st place-\$25 | 2 nd place-\$20 | 3 rd place-\$15 |

JUDGING / SHOW:

The American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) Youth Showmanship Scoresheets will be used.

Instructions for Showmanship can be found at the following link:

<https://arba.net/showmanship/>

HEALTH:

No sick or diseased animals will be allowed in the fair. Any rabbit rejected because of sickness or disease will not be allowed to return for the duration of the fair. Any rabbit showing signs of illness or disease during the fair will be quarantined and the owner will be contacted to remove the rabbit immediately.

DELIVERY:

1. All Deliveries are to be made using the Livestock entry gate.
2. All youth must have their rabbit inspected by the Agricultural inspector on the Wednesday before the show if their rabbit is not already entered in the open or youth rabbit show at the fair. The agriculture inspector will be there on Wednesday, March 29, 2023 from 1:00pm until 4:00pm.
3. You **MUST** check-in and have your rabbit inspected for illness at 2:30 pm in the Rabbit Barn **BEFORE** competing in the showmanship competition.
4. Any rabbits exhibiting illnesses at check in will be sent home for the greater good of your animal and others on exhibit.
5. All rabbits should have a legible tattoo ear mark in the left ear. If not tattooed the Rabbit Superintendent will make a mark using a permanent marker for identification purposes.
6. If you have a rabbit entered in the Rabbit show, you may remove that rabbit for Showmanship use only.
7. If you **DO NOT** have a rabbit entered in the Rabbit Show and are **ONLY** participating in Rabbit Showmanship, you **MUST** remove the animal from the fairgrounds after Rabbit Showmanship is over.

THE CLAY COUNTY FAIR RABBIT SHOW DIRECTOR AND/OR SHOW SUPERINTENDENT will have the final judgment regarding the interpretation of all rules and regulations. During the creating/typing/printing of these rules, changes, errors, deletions, or omissions may occur, in which case the "Clay County Fair Association" reserves the right to construe its own rules and regulations, and to decide all matters and differences in regards thereto including amendments. The Clay County Fair Association also reserves the right to refuse exhibitors.