



EXHIBITOR INFORMATION RESOURCE – 2026

Entries Department email:
entries.danecountyfair@gmail.com

ALL forms, FairEntry entry registration, Premium Book, and Horse & Pony Guidelines may be found:

www.danecountyfair.com – [Youth Exhibitors](#)

1. **Education Requirements:** Most Animal Projects and All Shooting Sports require additional Education training and forms to be submitted by June 1. See the [Youth Exhibitor Forms Reference](#) for complete details online, as noted above, and in the Premium Book, Page 2.
2. **Dane County Fair Premium Book:** Fair rules & regulations, Department rules & regulations, Class-Lots. Table of Contents is organized in alphabetical order with reference to department number, Department pages are organized by department number.
3. **Exhibitor Entries:** Reference the following tools for all Dane County Fair entries.
 - [Guide to Entries](#)
 - All entries and entry information, Shavings orders, Horse & Pony privacy panels, and more are submitted via FairEntry. **Entry deadline: June 1 at 11:59 p.m.**
 - Fair T-shirts and merchandise will need to be purchased through the Fair’s merchandise system and will NOT be purchased through FairEntry.
 - Additional family admission wristbands and daily passes will need to be purchased through the Fair’s ticketing system and will NOT be purchased through FairEntry.
 - **REMINDER: All youth exhibitor entries include a wristband to the Fair (including Cloverbuds).**
 - **Late Entries** will be accepted for a \$25/submission June 2-15, 11:59 p.m. Submission is defined as one or multiple Department/Class/Lot entries in one transaction per exhibitor.
 - [Entry Requirements](#): summarizes the entry limits for Departments.
 - Payment option by Credit Card or mail Check by June 7 to Dane County Fair, PO Box 930385, Verona 53593
 - **Submit/email the following to Club/Chapter/Youth Organization Leader** by June 2.
 - [FairEntry confirmation email](#) (from: noreply@fairenter.com)
 - **[T-shirts and other Fair merchandise are available for purchase through the Fair’s merchandise system website \(not through FairEntry\)](#)** by June 7.
 - **[Exhibitor Family Season Wristband or Day Tickets are available for purchase through the Fair’s ticketing website \(not through FairEntry\)](#)** by June 7.
4. **Department FairEntry Notes:**
 - **ANIMALS:**
 - All exhibitors **MUST** enter Showmanship in the species they exhibit at the Fair (except Horse & Dogs). Exhibitors who are not entered in showmanship will automatically be entered prior to the Fair. If an exhibitor does not wish to participate in showmanship, they can scratch on-site at the Fair.
 - Market Animals do not have to be eligible for the Meat Animal Sale in order to be eligible for the championship drive.
 - **DAIRY:**
 - [Dairy Stalling Request](#): Dairy Leader shall submit one stalling request for the club. (Link to Google Docs form)
 - **[CLOTHING, KNITTING & CROCHETING REVUE](#):**
 - The Revue will be held at the Fair, Thursday, July 16 at 3:00 p.m. in **Hall A**. All clothing, knitting and crocheting items must be checked in on Tuesday, July 14 between 1 – 7 p.m.



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➤ **DOGS:**

- Sunday, July 19 – view Premium Book Department page for more details on check-in and judging times.
- Dog information with Class/Lot entry: Dog Name, Breed, Rabies Vaccination Date
- Select the Total number of Dogs the exhibitor will enter with the first class/lot entry. After the first entry, enter '0'.

➤ **HORSE & PONY:**

- Horse information with Class/Lot entry: Horse Name, Breed, Height, Name of Horse-Shared Exhibitors
- Select the Total number of Horses the exhibitor will enter with the first class/lot entry. After the first entry, enter '0'.
- [Horse & Pony Guidelines](#) book is available on DCF website listed above.
- Horse & Pony Stall Mat Order Form: will be posted to the DCF website soon, follow form instructions.
- Horse & Pony [Trailer-In Request Form](#): on DCF website above, must be completed and signed by Veterinarian. Follow form instructions.

➤ **GOATS:**

- Department 5 is labeled as Goats and will include Dairy, Meat, and Exotic Goats
- All exotic/non-meat or dairy goats will be entered under the Goat Department – Class C. Other Goats Showmanship & Class D. Other Goat Breeds

➤ **EXOTICS:**

- **Department is not offered as of 2025.**
- All exotic birds will be entered under the Poultry Department – Class I. Exotic Birds
- All exotic/non-meat or dairy goats will be entered under the Goat Department – Class C. Other Goats Showmanship & Class D. Other Goat Breeds
- All equine exotics like donkeys will be entered under the Horse & Pony Department - CLASS K. Draft Breed, Any Other Equine & Horseless Horse English Showmanship
- For other exotics, contact the Fair Office at entries.danecountyfair@gmail.com to discuss options.

➤ **RABBITS:**

- [Rabbit Tattooing Appointments](#) – Contact Chairperson, Mikayla
- **NEW THIS YEAR!** [Little Critter Show](#) - for youth, 4 years through 2nd grade. Saturday, July 18, 3:00p.m.

➤ **SHOOTING SPORTS:**

- Shooting Time registration is part of FairEntry with the Class-Lot.
- **Air Rifle and .22 Rifle entries will CLOSE MAY 1.** Other disciplines will close June 1.
- Wildlife Ecology Knowledge Challenge will only be offered on June 27 (not required).

➤ **DEPARTMENT 17 – YOUTH ORGANZATIONS: INCLUDING EXPLORING AND CLOVERBUDS:**

- **NEED** a Chair/Superintendent to assist with Exploring (Class A) only during the Fair on 7/14.

➤ **DEPARTMENT 35 – EDUCATIONAL AND SCHOOL EXHIBITS:**

- Department allowing schools and school clubs to submit group projects, limit of 30 items.
- [Information Packet](#) - View for details on how to enter school class and school club exhibits.



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5. **Animal Health Notes:**

➤ **DAIRY:**

- [Lactating Dairy Cattle](#) will follow the same protocol as 2024/2025 and HPAI testing will be required for the 2026.

➤ **POULTRY:**

- [Review Animal Health Requirements](#). Poultry must test negative for Mycoplasma Gallisepticum or a DATCP-issued Certificate. OR, Individually test mature birds, must be wing or leg banded, and test negative for pullorum-typhoid. See animal health requirements for complete details.

➤ **SWINE:**

- Non-Terminal show, PRRS, PEDv tests are not required, per waiver
- Use of Ractopamine (Paylean) in DCF swine is prohibited.

6. **Exhibitor Family/Club/Chapter Resources for Dane County Fair**

- [Exhibitor Family Season Wristband or Day Tickets](#) are available for purchase through the Fair ticketing system fair website (**not** through FairEntry) by June 7.
- [Fair T-Shirts and Fair merchandise](#) are available for purchase through merchandise system – Fair website (**not** through FairEnty by June 7.
- [Friend of the Fair Sponsorship](#)
- Dane County Farm Bureau Educational Agriculture _____
- [Dane County Fair Maps](#) – Grounds, Pavilions 1 & 2, and Exhibition Hall

