

## Jefferson County Fair Youth Organization Expectations/Requirements

1. Organizations must be an official organization operated at a county, state or national level and available to any Jefferson County youth who meets its membership qualifications.
2. Organizations must apply for Jefferson County Fair approved status annually by completing a youth organization application and submitting it to Jefferson County Fair for approval by April 1<sup>st</sup> of the upcoming year's Fair.
3. Approved organizations must have adult leadership who will serve as a Jefferson County Fair liaison to communicate with membership, authorize member status compliance, provide exhibition guidelines and provide organizational leadership and accountability for members leading up to, during and after the Jefferson County Fair. Organization must notify the Fair office of any changes to adult leader within 30 days.
4. Organizations membership age requirements may vary but must be open to members between the ages of the 8 to 19 years old as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year to meet the Jefferson County Fair eligibility requirements. Membership outside of the Jefferson County Fair age requirement age requirements (8 to 19) is allowable but those members are not eligible to exhibit in the Jefferson County Fair Junior show. Organizations may set their own member in good standing rules or additional restrictions for youth to be able to represent their organization as an exhibitor at the Jefferson County Fair.
5. Youth must be official members of the respective organization by June 1st of the current Fair year. The Fair office will send a list of exhibitors who completed Fair entries to the respective organization adult leader listed on the application after entry deadline verifying if the potential exhibitor is in good standing.
6. Approved organizations must provide/offer minimum of 4 educational experiences per Fair year. It is suggested one should be offered each quarter. The following are examples of educational experiences/activities:
  - Project related events: Ex.) Meetings, Demonstrations, Clinics, Industry exhibitions, Meetings, Competitions
  - Recreation/Social Activities (roller-skating, bowling, fundraising event, etc.)
  - Organizational Meetings (monthly, committee, conventions/conferences)
  - Community Event Participation: acts of community involvement or good will
7. It is each individual organization's discretion how they will monitor/document member compliance to determine member in good standing status. All potential Jefferson County Fair exhibitors must meet their organization's membership expectations/requirements and the above Jefferson County Fair listed expectations/requirements which includes date compliance for Jefferson County Fair program/entry submittal. Jefferson County Fair reserves the right to audit at any time an organization for documentation of organizational activities and member compliance. Evidence of non-compliance may disqualify a member from Jefferson County Fair participation and/or revoke an organizations future Jefferson County Fair approved status.

If you would like any additional information, please contact Jefferson County Fair Park by email at [fair@jeffersoncountywi.gov](mailto:fair@jeffersoncountywi.gov)