

Rabbit and Chicken Costume Contest

for the Lake County Fair 2023

Rules and Information

Show Information:

- This show is for exhibitors to dress up their chicken or rabbit in an appropriate costume of their choice. The exhibitor may also dress up if the exhibitors' costume coordinates with the animal's costume.
- If you have a rabbit and chicken that is entered at the Lake County fair, you may only pick one animal for the costume contest.
- Date and Time: **Thursday April 13, 2023** (4H and FFA show entries must be in the Rabbit and Chicken barn and ready at 5:30) **Show will start at 6:00pm**
- The costume contest will take place in the big show arena next to the chicken and rabbit barn.
- If you would like to enter the contest, please contact Rabbit Superintendent Shannon Voldness via phone ([352-455-8786](tel:352-455-8786)) or email (svoldness@outlook.com) by **April 1, 2023**.

This contest is for exhibitors to have some fun and display their animal to spectators with originality and imagination within the 4H and FFA chapters of Lake County. Although this is a very fun and enjoyable spectator event, please keep in mind that we are working with live animals and must keep the animals' health a priority and respect the animal before and during the show.

Rules for the contest

1. The contest is open to all 4H and FFA youth exhibitors participating in the Poultry and Rabbit program at the Lake County Fair 2023.
2. Any animals used in the Costume Contest must be officially entered in the Lake County Fair 2023.

3. Members enter as individuals, not as a team, with one exhibit animal.
4. Each exhibitor must submit an information summary sheet (see attached sheet at the bottom) by April 1, 2023 by contacting Rabbit Superintendent Shannon Voldness via phone ([352-455-8786](tel:352-455-8786)) or email (svoldness@outlook.com) This entry form will be read aloud at the costume contest.
5. Care must be taken to ensure the animals being dressed are not harmed or hindered from natural movement in any way by the costume. On the animal no use of glitter, paints or dyes are allowed. No leashes or harnesses used on animals for the show.

Judging Criteria

1. Execution- Does the costume show what the concept of the consume wanted to convey, does the costume use unique materials/resources, is the costume well assembled
2. Showmanship- Did the exhibitor prepare to handle the animal for the duration of the show (i.e. hold the animal, place the animal in a carry device), Was the animal handled with the upmost respect and consideration
3. Enthusiasm & Expression-Did the exhibitor smile, wave or interact with the audience, did the exhibitor make eye contact with judges and spectators, did the exhibitor show expression with movement and gestures

Awards for Chickens

1st Place Award,

2nd Place Award

3rd Place Award

Awards for Rabbits

1st Place Award

2nd Place Award

3rd Place Award

Entry Form for Costume Contest

1. Name of exhibitor participating: _____
2. Name, type, breed and sex of animal: _____
3. Name of 4H or FFA Chapter: _____
4. Why did you choose this animal to be entered into the Lake County Fair?
5. Why did you choose this costume?
6. One thing you want the judges to know about you and your animal.
(Example: favorite snacks you give to your animal, favorite thing your animal does, etc.)

