2026 NPF POULTRY SHOWS:

- **NPF 4-H/FFA YOUTH POULTRY SHOW**
- **NPF OPEN POULTRY SHOW**

- **ENTRY DEADLINE:** October 18, 2026
- **HOW TO ENTER: ONLINE @ www.nationalpeanutfestival.com**
- **ENTRY FEE:** $8.00 per bird for NPF 4-H/FFA/Open Shows (limit 4 birds per exhibitor)
- **BIRD COOP-IN (CHECK-IN):** 5pm – 8pm on Thursday, November 12, 2026
- **4-H/FFA YOUTH SHOW SHOWMANSHIP:** 6pm on Friday, November 13, 2026
- **4-H/FFA/OPEN SHOW AWARDS:** 7pm on Friday, November 13, 2025
- **BIRD COOP-OUT (CHECK-OUT):** 8am-2pm on Sunday, November 15, 2026
- **Optional COOP-OUT:** Friday November 13, 2026 after show & awards.

NPF POULTRY SHOW COMMITTEE

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NPF: GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. A Flock Testing Monitoring Report (testing dated within 30 days of the show) or proof of NPIP is required. Alabama Department of Agriculture & Industries state testing for Pullorum-Typhoid and Avian Influenza and will be done at no charge by poultry inspectors at coop-in on November 6, 2025. This report (or exhibitor provided NPIP documentation) will be provided by poultry inspectors to show organizers as the birds are checked in, and will be kept with show registration.
2. All entries are subject to a health check. Any bird appearing sick (i.e. cough, runny mucus from nostrils, etc.) or infested with parasites, dirty plumage, overgrown spurs, fowl pox, etc., will not be allowed to participate in the show and must be removed from the fairgrounds.
3. **Exhibitors must bring their own feed and will arrange for their birds to be cared for on a DAILY basis during the term of the exhibit**. This includes feeding, watering and cleaning cages. This supports health and safety for the birds by limiting exhibitors from accessing others' cages. Exhibitors must also provide feeders and waterers – those secured to cages instead of free-standing are best because they are not easily spilled.
4. Cages. Keep in mind that there is no heat or air conditioning in the poultry exhibit area. Cages are generally placed on table tops. NPF 4-H/FFA/Open Show exhibitors are encouraged to bring their own cages, which provides an opportunity to showcase birds in home-made or designed cages. **If your cage is a designer cage, or freestanding, or in excess of 36"L x 30"W x 30"H, or weighs more than 15 pounds, or needs electricity provided, please contact Jewellyn Owens to pre-approve your cage**. Cages not pre-approved may not be allowed. Some show-owned cages may be provided upon request; however, there are only a limited number of cages and are provided first come first served.
5. Your bird area must be clean (inside/underneath/around) at all times, including coop out time. **If individual areas are not reasonably clean, premiums may be forfeited**. Please plan accordingly.
6. **The deadline for registration is October 18, 2026.** NPF 4-H/FFA/Open Shows: Entry fee is $8.00 per bird and is non-refundable (maximum of 4 birds). Register by completing the Poultry Show Registration Form **ONLINE @ www.nationalpeanutfestival.com**. If you are NPIP certified, you must present proof of NPIP at check in.
7. **AG Parking Decal and Gate Passes:** Ag Parking Decal (optional) and Gate Passes (required) should be purchased at the end of online registration completion. Please Note: Exhibitor will receive a free admission

armband and must be worn on wrist for entrance. All other family members must have an admission ticket. Due to limited Ag parking at the barns, **only one** (1) parking decal can be purchased online at registration. All exhibitor armbands, tickets & passes purchased, will be available for pick up at the Ag Gate starting at 3:00 pm Friday, Nov. 6th thru the week of the festival.

8. A maximum of 4 birds per exhibitor is allowed for NPF 4-H/FFA/Open Shows.
9. Any exhibitor, or owner, in any way involved in showing a fraudulent entry will automatically forfeit all prize money and may be barred from future participation in this show.
10. All exhibitors will check-in birds between 5pm and 8pm on Thursday, November 12, 2026. Check-out Friday after the show & awards or between 8am and 2pm on Sunday, November 15, 2026. No NPF 4-H/FFA or Open Show birds should be checked out prior to the coop-out date.
11. The shows will be located in the Ag Complex barn; all shows are open to the public.
12. The National Peanut Festival and show organizers reserve the right to substitute or add judges. The judges' decisions are final. Rules are subject to be amended.
13. Premium checks for prize money will be issued and mailed from the National Peanut Festival office after the close of the festival. Please include your complete mailing address when you register.
14. The National Peanut Festival and show organizers will not be responsible for damage, loss or health risk to birds, cages, materials or equipment.

4-H & FFA YOUTH POULTRY SHOW

This show is open to bona fide active members of a chartered 4-H club or FFA chapter in AL, GA or FL. To be eligible for competition at events held between August 1, 2026 and July 31, 2027, youth must be at least 9 years old prior to January 1, 2027.

CLASSES: There are 5 classes. The poultry committee reserves the right to change the classification of an entry in order to better place the bird in the most appropriate class. Crossbreeds and commercial birds may be included. The classes:

1) Production Male – i.e. Rhode Island Reds, Barred Plymouth Rocks, Turken, etc.
2) Production Female – i.e. Rhode Island Reds, Barred Plymouth Rocks, Turken, etc.
3) Fancy – i.e. Silkies, Polish, Frizzles, Yokohama, Silver Phoenix, Ayam Cemani, etc.
4) Bantam – i.e. Rhode Island Reds, Cochins, Sebrights, Seramas, Old English Game, d'Uccles, etc.
5) Other – i.e. Quail, Ducks, Geese, Turkeys, Guineas, Pheasants, etc.

4-H/FFA SHOW AWARDS & PREMIUMS

The birds will be judged Friday, November 7, 2025. Participants are not required to be present while the birds are being judged. All awards will be given out following the Showmanship program, which begins at 6pm on Friday, November 7, 2025. Premium amounts below are based on entries and may be adjusted accordingly. Premium checks will be issued and mailed from the NPF office after the close of the festival. Awards and premiums are as follows:

Grand Champion	Trophy-Rosette & $40.00	Reserve Grand Champion	Trophy-Rosette & $30.00
Champion Production (M)	Trophy-Rosette & $30.00	Res. Champ. Production (M)	Trophy-Rosette & $20.00
Champion Production (F)	Trophy-Rosette & $30.00	Res. Champ. Production (F)	Trophy-Rosette & $20.00
Champion Fancy	Trophy-Rosette & $30.00	Res. Champ. Fancy	Trophy-Rosette & $20.00
Champion Bantam	Trophy-Rosette & $30.00	Res. Champ. Bantam	Trophy-Rosette & $20.00
Champion Other	Trophy-Rosette & $30.00	Res. Champ. Other	Trophy-Rosette & $20.00

Showmanship (1st place in each age division):

- Junior I (Ages 9-11) Rosette & Belt Buckle and $25.00
- Intermediate (Ages 12-13) Rosette & Belt Buckle and $25.00
- Senior I (Ages 14-15) Rosette & Belt Buckle and $25.00
- Senior II (Ages 16-18) Rosette & Belt Buckle and $25.00

4-H Jerry Wayne Abner Spirit Award…….Certificate and $50.00

4-H Doug Summerford Award……Certificate and $50.00

Merit Awards & Premiums (based on cleanliness and general appearance of birds): **Blue $15, Red $10, White $8**

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4-H/FFA SHOWMANSHIP

Open to 4-H/FFA Participants only. Participants must be prepared to answer basic questions regarding the breed, variety and care of their bird(s). General poultry related questions may also be asked by the judges. Showmanship will be scored based on each participant's personal appearance, knowledge and ability to handle the bird(s). For study and practice suggestions, contact your 4-H Agent or local county Extension office.

4-H SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS

First place in each age division receives a rosette, belt buckle, and $25. Second through fifth places receive a ribbon. See above.

4-H SHOW CAGE DECORATING CONTEST

1st through 5th places will receive a Rosette
6th through 10th places will receive a ribbon
Keeping with the NPF's theme is suggested.

4-H EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

1st through 5th places will receive a Rosette
6th through 10th places will receive a ribbon

We encourage youth to set up tri-boards and other poultry related educational exhibits (including portfolios/record books) based on projects they've worked on or are interested in….including poultry husbandry, incubation projects, egg displays, Chick Chain, Scarechicken, etc. Educational exhibit tables are available for these projects.

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4-H JERRY WAYNE ABNER SPIRIT AWARD

Jerry Wayne Abner was Mr. 4-H in life. A self-taught chicken whisperer, he loved sharing his wit and knowledge with 4-H'ers as well as kids and adults of all ages. This award has been created in Mr. Jerry's honor and is based on character, enthusiasm, leadership and community service. The spirit award recognizes a 4-H'er who is participating in this year's NPF 4-H/FFA, with entered birds as well as a portfolio/record book and an additional educational exhibit. (See above).

4-H DOUG SUMMERFORD AWARD

Doug Summerford embodied everything that 4-H represents. He was a role model for 4-Hers across the Wiregrass Area. He emphasized the value of leadership skills, character, scholarship, and service to our community by leading by example. Doug was instrumental in beginning the 4-H Chick Chain across the State of Alabama and worked tirelessly on the National Peanut Festival Poultry Show. This award will be presented to a 4-Her that participates in the National Peanut Festival Poultry Showmanship, displays an educational exhibit, and enters a 4-H project record book for scoring.

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OPEN POULTRY SHOW

For Non 4-H and Non FFA Participants

The Open Show is judged completely separate from the 4-H/FFA Youth Show. Birds are judged only; there is no showmanship component to this show. The five classes are listed below. The poultry committee reserves the right to change the classification of an entry in order to better place the bird in the most appropriate class. Crossbreeds and commercial birds may be included. Birds will be judged Friday, November 8, 2024. Participants are not required to be present during judging.

OPEN SHOW AWARDS & PREMIUMS

Rosettes will be awarded for the following:

Champion Production Male - $30.00	Res. Champ. Production Male - $20.00
Champion Production Female - $30.00	Res. Champ. Production Female - $20.00
Champion Fancy - $30.00	Res. Champ. Fancy - $20.00
Champion Bantam - $30.00	Res. Champ. Bantam - $20.00
Champion Other - $30.00	Res. Champ. Other - $20.00

Merit Awards & Premiums (based on cleanliness and general appearance): **Blue $15, Red $10, White $8**

OPEN SHOW CAGE DECORATING CONTEST

1st through 5th places will receive a Rosette 6th through 10th places will receive a ribbon

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