2024 Cleveland County Fair

Youth Poultry Showmanship – Department FJ

OPEN TO YOUTH EXHIBITORS AGES 5-18 IN CLEVELAND, BURKE, CATAWBA, GASTON, LINCOLN, AND RUTHERFORD COUNTIES IN NORTH CAROLINA AND

CHEROKEE AND YORK COUNTIES IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Director: Lauren Greene

**Entry Deadlines & Fees:**

* Early Entry: September 5, 2024
* Late Entry: September 12, 2024 (entries will not be accepted after this date)
* No entry fee

**Check-In Time:**

Thursday, September 26 from 1-3 pm

**Show Time:**

Thursday, September 26 at 4:30 pm

**Release Time:**

Thursday, September 26 8 pm

Exhibitors removing their animals prior to the announced release time shall forfeit all premiums earned.

**Entry Guidelines:**

* There will be no competitive breed classes, only showmanship classes.
* Limit one bird/entry per exhibitor.
* The birds used in the competition may be any breed but must be 12 weeks of age or older on the day of the show.
* Exhibitors must supply their own crates or cages. Cleveland County Fair will provide show tables.

**General Information:**

* Vehicles must be moved to Livestock Parking area outside of Gate 10 immediately after unloading.
* Exhibitors are expected to:
  + Provide on-site supervision of their birds, ensuring access to feed and water.
  + Keep their bird and the space they occupy clean, organized, and attractive.
  + Remove litter or equipment promptly as instructed by the director.
  + Display current Cleveland County Fair ribbons.
  + Display their animal as directed.
  + Cooperate with directors to increase the educational value of the show.
* An experienced judge will pass on each class and shall determine the proper placing in the absence of any competition. Should unsound, inferior, or distinctly unworthy specimens be presented, the Fair is under no obligation to decorate them with ribbons or distribute premiums as scheduled.

**FITTING & SHOWMANSHIP**

* Age divisions are based on the exhibitor’s age on January 1, 2024.
* A participant may elect to move up to the next age division.

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| **Class Premiums** | | | | |
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th-10th |
| $30 | $25 | $20 | $15 | $10 |

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| **Dept.-Division-Class** |
| Cloverbud: Ages 5-7 |
| Intermediate: Ages 8-10 |
| Junior: Ages 11-14 |
| Senior: Ages 15-18 |

**CHAMPIONSHIP**

*Do not enter this class online. Open to winners of showmanship classes listed above.*

**Best of Show – $50**

**ROOSTER CROWING CONTEST**

Limit 1 rooster per exhibitor. Roosters will be placed in individual pens for 30 minutes and placed by the number of times they crow.

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| **Class Premiums** | | | | |
| 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th – 10th |
| $25 | $20 | $15 | $10 | $5 |