

Livestock Exhibition Contests

Friday, September 2, 2022 - 4:30 pm

Participation Rules

- Animals in this show must be from those in the fair barns.
- Pre-register your pet entry via email: highlandcountyfairva@gmail.com at least two weeks prior to fair entry so pens can be planned. For 2022, pet entries are the only non-sale animals allowed in the barns.
- All animals must be tame and easily controlled by the youth exhibitor.
- All animals must be clean and dry to participate in these contests.
- All animals are subject to veterinary inspection before unloading at the fairgrounds. The veterinarian's decision is final.
- All animals must be free of infectious and contagious disease. These could include but not limited to ringworm, warts, pinkeye, sore mouth, foot rot, and Caseous Lymphadenitis. Animals currently being treated for any of the listed conditions that are visibly responding to treatment must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) dated within 30 days of show. No intact male livestock may be shown. Miniature horses will require a negative Coggins certificate.
- Exhibitor needs to maintain a clean space for their animal(s). Barn manager will assign pen/stall. Final pen/stall clean out is expected once the exhibitor's animals have left the pen/stall. Failure to complete final clean-out will result in a \$25 per pen/stall fee.
- Livestock exhibitor must supply all feed needed for their animal(s), which can be stored in livestock trailers or tack space. Fresh, non-chlorinated water is provided for animals by a donor.
- The Livestock Exhibition Contests are open to exhibitors in the listed age categories. Participants in any of the listed contests with an animal that is not owned need to sign a waiver before participating. Entries in each contest should be made by noon on Friday of Fair week. Contest sign-up sheets can be found in the Ag Education Barn (Vegetable Barn).

COSTUME CONTESTS

This show is a fun-filled experience for exhibitors as well as spectators. Both the sheep/goat/hog/steer and the exhibitor should dress for the occasion. Exhibitor must choose whether to enter class with a sheep, goat, hog, or a steer but not more than one animal in said class. Exhibitors are encouraged to show their sheep, goat, or steer with a halter. Exhibitors must write a narrative about their costumes and turn it in to show coordinator prior to the contest. There are two costume sections.

SECTION I – FAIR THEME

"Stars, Stripes and Summer Nights"

This section will be judged on the costume that best depicts this year's fair theme. Create a short story about the costume you picked and how it relates to your animal, which will be read during the contest.

Class

1. Junior Division (ages 6-8)
2. Intermediate Division (ages 9-12)
3. Senior Division (ages 13-18)
4. Adult Division

PRIZES: 1st-\$10; 2nd-\$8; 3rd-\$5

SECTION II – CONTESTANT'S CHOICE

Participants are encouraged to dress creatively. Create a short story about your costume that will be read during the contest.

Class

1. Junior Division (ages 6-8)
2. Intermediate Division (ages 9-12)
3. Senior Division (ages 13-18)
4. Adult Division

PRIZES: 1st-\$10; 2nd-\$8; 3rd-\$5

LIVESTOCK PETS

All pet lambs, goats, calves, and miniature horses must be led by owner during the class. Open to all age participants.

Class

1. Pet Lamb
2. Pet Goat
3. Pet Calf (newborn to 400 lbs.)
4. Pet Miniature Horse

PRIZES: 1st-\$10

OBSTACLE COURSE CONTEST

The obstacle course is a timed event that provides challenges for the exhibitor and excitement for the spectators.

Class

1. Sheep or Goat Entries
 - a. Junior Division (ages 6-8)
 - b. Intermediate Division (ages 9-12)
 - c. Senior Division (age 13-18)
 - d. Adult Division
2. Cattle Entries
 - a. Junior Division (ages 6-8)
 - b. Intermediate Division (ages 9-12)
 - c. Senior Division (ages 13-18)
 - d. Adult Division

PRIZES: 1st-\$10; 2nd-\$8; 3rd-\$5