

Junior Department Livestock

Entry Procedures: You have three options available to make entries for the 2026 Fair.

1. **BY US MAIL:** Mailed entries must be postmarked by or prior to midnight **Friday, June 5, 2026**. Mail to: Jane Meyer, 1795 N 1800 East Rd, Thawville, IL 60968. Metered mail postmarks will not be honored. Entry fees, exhibitor's fees and requests for number of pens must accompany entry blanks or entry will not be accepted. To be sure your mailed entry is postmarked **ON TIME**, mail inside the post office and request that the clerk working hand postmarks your envelope.
2. **IN PERSON:** Entries may be made in person at the fair office in Melvin, IL on **Monday, June 8, 2026 or Tuesday, June 9, 2026** between Noon and 4:00 p.m. either day. All entry fees, exhibitor's fees and pen or stall fees must be paid at the time of entry.
3. **ONLINE:** There is a link on the fair's website that will direct you to the entry site. The website address is www.fordcountyfair.org. Look for the link on this website. Payment for all entry fees, exhibitor's fees, and requests for pens will be paid at the fair. Online entries will close on **Tuesday, June 9, 2026** at 9:00 p.m.

READ GENERAL RULES p.5 & p.19
Please provide Social Security Number.

DEPARTMENT H
JUNIOR DEPARTMENT LIVESTOCK
Total Premiums \$6,812.00

SPECIAL RULES

1. Junior classes are open to boys & girls who are 8 years of age or in third grade and not yet 21 years of age on or before September 1 of the year previous to the fair. All animals shown in Junior Classes must be the property of the boys & girls showing them. If the same animals are being shown in both the Open and Junior Classes, they shall be shown under the same exhibitor's name.
2. Entry deadlines can be found at the top of this page.
3. **LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS MUST BE ON THE FAIRGROUNDS BY THESE TIMES: Hogs** - 2:00 p.m. Sunday, June 14 (weigh-in 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.); **Jr. Rabbits** - 11:00 a.m., Monday, June 15. Cattle, Swine and Rabbits will not be allowed on the fairgrounds before 6:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 14, 2026.

4. Release of exhibits - as announced in the general livestock rules, or by announcement from the Secretary's office. Livestock must be removed before 10:00 a.m. Sunday.
5. In case a 4-H member desires to show in any of the open classes of the Fair, it will be necessary for him to comply with the rules of the Fair governing the Open Class.
6. Each exhibitor will be required to buy an exhibitor's ticket at \$10.00.
7. Pen fee same as open class. However, only **one fee required for both open and junior classes.**
8. Entry fee: Hogs - \$6.00; Rabbits \$1.00.
9. All animals shown in a group premium number must be shown by the same owner.

LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS

1. Each exhibitor will be allowed two entries in each class.
2. **ALL ANIMALS SHOWN IN THIS DEPT. MUST BE INDIVIDUALLY OWNED.**
3. All animals must be shown in the judging ring by the owner unless excused by doctor's certificate or the President of the Ford County Fair.
4. Read pages 20-24 for Health Requirements.

NOTES

All purebred barrows will show in specified purebred classes, with all crossbred barrows showing in crossbred classes. Classes will be divided equally based on the number entered. Purebred barrows must be registered to the individual showing, and papers must be present at time of weigh-in. There will be a minimum of eight barrows per class and a maximum of ten per class.

NO PAPER BEDDING ALLOWED

Department H3 Jr. Swine

Enter all NJSA barrows (Duroc, Hamp, Landrace, York) in Department H3, Section 1, Class 1.

Enter all Team purebred barrows (Berk, Chester, Hereford, Poland, Spot, Tamworth) in Department H3, Section 1, Class 2.

Enter all crossbred barrows in Department H3, Section 1, Class 3.

Weight divisions will be determined after weigh-in.

					Premiums						
					1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Barrow	1271				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1272				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1273				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1274				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1275				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1276				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1277				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1278				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1279				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1280				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1281				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1282				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1283				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1284				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1285				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1286				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1287				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1288				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1289				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1290				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Barrow	1291				22	18	16	14	12	10	8
Best Barrow	1292				42	18	16	14	12	10	8

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Tear-Out Entry Blanks In Back of Fair Book.