

→ REMINDER: Premiums will be paid to county 4-H programs for county groups. See premium book for details.

→ REMINDER: The Grand Champion Dairy Steer, Beef Steer, Market Goat, Market Lamb, Market Swine, Rabbit and Poultry must be sold through the Livestock Sale. Exhibitors of the Reserve Champion may sell their animal if they choose. Exhibitors are limited to a maximum of two species in the Sale.



Changes to the Premium Book:

As always, there have been some changes or some items emphasized in the Fair schedule and premium book this year. Please encourage your families to carefully review the rules for all sections that they plan to enter. Here are just a few of the changes:

DIVISION A – DAIRY CATTLE & DAIRY STEERS

- Dairy Cattle: See the schedule for specific times of your events.
- Dairy Cattle – New Produce of Dam class added.
- Dairy Cattle - Exhibitors choosing to use their own milking equipment must take milk to the milking parlor to be disposed of.
- Dairy Steers: Weigh-in will occur after the swine, like last year.

DIVISION C – DAIRY & MEAT GOATS

- Dairy: New Superintendent – Debbie Heston
- Meat: New Junior Novice Showmanship class added - to be eligible for the junior novice classes, this must be the first year the 4-H or FFA member has shown meat goats.
- Meat: Class changes made to Registered and Commercial classes.

DIVISION D – SHEEP

- Market Lambs not making average rate of gain may still be used for showmanship only.
- 4-H'ers will be responsible for setting of their sheep's feet.

DIVISION E – SWINE

- For 2011 there will again be a staggered release based on the county of membership. The release schedule will be announced at the fair. Prior to leaving, all exhibitors must check-out with one of the superintendents.

DIVISION F – HORSES & PONIES

- The events have been moved back to the first weekend. Please see the premium book for specific schedule details!
- A horse may be entered in only ONE conformation class during the four days of shows, even if being shown by two different exhibitors.
- Trainers, coaches, leaders and parents in the schooling and barn areas must also wear suitable shoes or boots at all times.
- Champion awards will be awarded to the first place exhibitor in Junior, Intermediate and Senior Grooming and Showmanship. No Grand Champion will be selected. Previous Grooming and Showmanship Champions may participate again, but only when eligible in the next higher age division. Senior Champions may not compete again in the Grooming and Showmanship class.

DIVISION H – RABBITS

- New Superintendents – Donna and Ashley Richards

DIVISION K – DOGS

- Show will be held in Lower Level of the Grandstand (like 2010).
- The same dog may be shown by up to two 4-H members in separate sections (i.e. obedience, rally, fitting and showing)

DIVISION M – FOODS

- Healthy Lifestyles Posters theme for this year is “Let’s MOVE”

DIVISION N – EXPRESSIVE ARTS

- Photography: Clarification on hanging instructions
- Art – new classes added 1) Mixed Media – 3 or more medias used in any art class listed here. and 2) Digital Art (Must be computer generated)
- Crafts – New Co-Superintendent – Barbara Barga

DIVISION P – MECHANICAL SCIENCES

- New Superintendent added – Amanda Wahle
- Welding – New class - Welding Craftsmanship Jr – Any other small article

DIVISION Q – ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

- New Superintendent added – Amanda Wahle
- Clarification on Educational Display size

DIVISION S – AG SCIENCES

- Herbs are now a separate section – two classes added – 1) Rosemary and 2) Sage

DIVISION T – 4-H/FFA PROMOTION

- Banners must be constructed to hang on a rod or pole provided by the exhibitor and be no longer than 56” long
- The theme this year is “Balancing Tradition with the Challenges of Today”

DIVISION V – ENGINEERING

- Be sure to check the schedule!

DIVISION X – SPECIAL 4-H PROGRAMS

- 4-H Presents! - Increased premiums.

Important Dates and Deadlines:

- TBA** Superintendent’s Meeting in the Vista Room of the State Fair Office. Teleconference for Indoor Building Superintendents.
- July 1** Youth Employee Applications are due to the County/City Extension Office. *Youth interested in working at the fair must submit a completed application and ask their 4-H Extension Educator to fill out the letter of Reference Form by the due date.*
- July 15** Completed Youth Employee Packages are due to the Maryland State Fair Office. *A complete package contains an application completed and signed by the Youth and a letter of Reference Form completed and signed by the 4-H Extension Educator.*
- July 31** Extension Educator Submitted Entry Forms are due to the Maryland 4-H Center. *These entry forms will be sent electronically to the Extension Educators as an excel spreadsheet. Please print out only the forms you need and mail to the Maryland 4-H Center ATTN Linda Garner or fax 301-314-7146. In cases where names are not available, please email Linda (terp23@umd.edu) with the number of 4-H’ers that will be on each team. Please do not fill out forms before you have names.*
- July 31** Online Entry System will close at midnight.

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