

JUNIOR FAIR GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Stark County Junior Fair operates under the authority of and in conjunction with the Stark County Senior Fair Board. The Junior Fair Board is a department of the Stark County Fair with its own objectives. These objectives, in many instances, require rules or guidelines that differ significantly from those of other Stark County Fair Departments. Any boy or girl enrolled in a Stark County Youth Organization is eligible to participate in the Stark County Junior Fair. They must abide by the rules and age limitations of said youth organization (4-H, FFA, Grange, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc.).

1. To participate in 4-H activities, youth must comply with the State 4-H membership policy. 4-H eligibility begins at age 5 (or in kindergarten as of January 1) and ends December 31 of the year in which they attain the age of 19.
2. Exhibitors in 4-H classes must be enrolled in 4-H club work in Stark County during the current year. Exhibits must be from 4-H projects approved by the State or Local Extension office.
3. FFA and FHA exhibitors must be enrolled in Smith-Hughes Vocational Course in Stark County during the current year. Exhibits must be from vocational projects certified by the department instructor.
4. The Junior Fair office is located in the livestock area of the fairgrounds.
5. All members are encouraged to show in open class events.
6. Health rules for the livestock exhibits are the same as those governing all open class exhibits. Health papers must be shown, if requested, to the proper person before an animal is assigned a stall.
7. The board of directors of the Stark County Agricultural Society will, to the best of their ability, safeguard persons, livestock and articles on the grounds, but will not be responsible for injury, damage, disease, theft or loss of any kind.
8. Animals released due to illness or injury must have a signed release from the Junior Fair Coordinator or barn superintendent.
9. Members must clean stalls or pens daily and keep the area neat and attractive. The committee reserves the right to withhold payment if an exhibitor does not keep his/her area clean and/or feed and water livestock.
10. Animals must be in possession of the member by June 1, current year, except for special classes in rabbits and poultry.
11. Anyone assisting with showing another exhibitor's animal must be enrolled as a current 4-H or FFA or other youth organization member in Stark County.
12. ALL ANIMALS MUST REMAIN ON EXHIBIT AT THE FAIR UNTIL 6:00 P.M. MONDAY (last day of fair), EXCEPT MARKET ANIMALS. Market animals are released at 4:00 P.M. on the last day of the fair.
13. All animals sold remain the property of the member and in the member's care until fair release time, 4:00 P.M., Monday (the last day of the fair).
14. Animals sold are not eligible to be shown again by that exhibitor or any other 4-H or FFA member in any Junior Show in the county or state or independent fair. All Grand and Reserve Grand Champion market animals are terminal.
15. Exhibitors are responsible for their own veterinary bill.
16. Veterinarians assigned to the fair for check-in will decide all matters of health, presence of disease and stall release.
17. Ribbons and suitable awards will be provided by the Fair Board. It is the privilege of the Fair Board to prorate cash premiums if the budget is exceeded.
18. Eligible youth may be members of both 4-H (clubs) and vocational agriculture (FFA) or of either group. In all cases, separate and different projects (also different animals and/or products) must be carried in 4-H and in vocational agriculture by a member belonging in both organizations. Examples of different and separate are sheep breeding, market lambs; pullets, broilers. The same or similar animals or products cannot be shown in both organizations even though they may be carried under different projects or programs. An animal or product may not be shown in more than one county in 4-H or FFA classes.
19. Stark County youth programs and the Junior Fair Board will not condone the use of alcohol or drugs by any of its members, volunteers or anyone else associated with the Junior Fair. The Junior Fair coordinator, Junior Fair Board advisors, FFA Advisors, Extension office and the Senior Fair Board will contact parents or legal authorities to handle individuals caught using or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
20. In the event that a project animal dies after the designated possession date, members will not be permitted to replace the animal for the purpose of exhibition or sale in any Junior Fair event.

EXHIBIT HALL (4-H BUILDING)

BOOTH EXHIBIT GUIDELINES

1. Exhibits may be placed in booths from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Saturday, August 29, 2015; 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Sunday, August 30, 2015; and 9:00 A.M. to Noon on Monday, August 31, 2015. All displays and booths must be in place by NOON on Monday, August 31, 2015.
2. No exhibits may be removed before 9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, September 8, 2015. Removal times are 9:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 8, 2015.
3. 2015 Booth Exhibit Theme: "JUNIOR FAIR LIVES THE AMERICAN DREAM"
4. Club name and members' names should be clearly displayed in the booth. Your organization symbol and colors should be evident.
5. No food, vegetables or fresh flowers are to be exhibited in the booth. Models or replicas of these items are acceptable.
6. No electricity is available to the booths and no mechanical, audio or lighting displays are permitted.
7. Booths will receive a cash award of \$15.00 for exhibiting.
8. All materials used in the booths should be flame retardant. No hay or straw bales.
9. Do not display any item that cannot be replaced. Thefts and vandalism, while not frequent, sometimes do occur.
10. The recommended minimum requirement for booths is the exhibit of at least one project per member. More items may be exhibited, if desired. Exhibit of the project book is encouraged, but optional.
11. Items exhibited must represent the project taken by using pictures, food models, objects made, educational poster or displays. Because food will spoil and can attract rodents or insects, **NO FOOD WILL BE EXHIBITED.**
12. Booths are meant primarily for the exhibit of non-livestock (home economics, still exhibits) projects. Livestock projects may have representative displays (space permitting), but members may not collect a booth premium for a livestock project if they are also exhibiting their animal at the fair.
13. No staples, tacks, screws or nails may be used to fasten material to the pegboard. Fasteners may be attached to the top and sides of the 2 x 4 frame only. Check with the 4-H office or junior fair coordinator for suggestions.

STARK COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR OUTSTANDING YOUTH

**TUESDAY, September 1, 2015
7:00 P.M. PAVILION**

REQUIREMENTS:

- Any boy or girl age 15 – 20 as of January 1, 2015
 - Participant must be current, active members of at least one youth organization represented at the Stark County Junior Fair (Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H, FFA, Grange, etc.)
 - Must be a resident of Stark County
 - If chosen as the female "Fair Royalty", participant must be able to compete for Stark County at the Ohio State competition.
 - Winners must be able to attend the Stark County fair every day. All Junior Fair Royalty will be expected to make appearances at various events during the fair.
 - Submit an application to the Junior Fair Coordinator's office by July 24, 2015.
 - The following criteria will be used for judging:
 1. Activities: participation, achievement, leadership, initiative in school, church, community, and the organization which they represent: 50%
 2. Poise and Personality: 30%
 3. Personal Appearance – Neat and appropriate 20%
- * Dress Clothes will be the attire required for the interview
* Interviews for Junior Fair Outstanding Youth will be conducted in August.
* Applicants will be notified of the interview date and time by the Junior Fair Coordinator.

AWARDS

- **Plaques donated by Junior Fair Board**
- **A tiara will be given to the girl selected**
- * **Prizes donated by Junior Fair Board**

HAY, GRAIN, HORTICULTURE SHOW

Grange Hall

Set Up – Monday, August 31, 2015 – 4:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.
Judging – Tuesday, September 1, 2015 - 4:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

RULES:

- Members must be present for judging
- Grading is based on project exhibit and knowledge of member as displayed through interview. Projects will be graded and awarded appropriate ribbons.
- All projects must be in place and ready to be displayed in the Grange Hall by Monday, August 31, 2015, by 7:30 P.M.
- The outstanding display in each project will receive a rosette and each project displayed will receive an appropriate premium.
- Exhibits will be displayed in a designated area in the Grange Hall.
- Ribbons sponsored by the Stark County Agricultural Society.
- Clubs displaying will receive a \$15.00 award donated by Junior Fairboard.

DAVE PYERS MEMORIAL HERDSMANSHIP CONTEST

**Tuesday, September 1, 2015 through
Monday, September 7, 2015**

This contest is held to encourage cleanliness and neatness of the exhibit areas and, most importantly, encourage quality care of exhibition animals during fair. With a society increasingly out of touch with farming and animal husbandry practices, top notch care of livestock on exhibit is necessary to educate the public, promote a positive image of agriculture, and to communicate the exhibitor's sincere concern for the welfare of their animals.

RULES:

- Each club will compete against other clubs exhibiting in the same species area (beef, sheep, swine, goat, dairy, poultry, rabbit/cavy, horse).
- Ribbons will be awarded daily to the top club in each area.
- The top three clubs with the most points for the week will be declared the overall winners and will be awarded a pizza party for their club.
- Daily scoring will be based on Club work habits, housing & equipment, animal care/cleanliness, aisle care/cleanliness (25 points for each area, 100 points total). ALL AREAS MUST BE CLEANED BY CLUB MEMBERS ONLY!
- Daily winners will be posted on the bulletin board at the Junior Fair Board building.
- Judging will be between 10:00 A.M. and 10:00 P.M.
- Club advisors are asked to pick up their awards at the Jr. Fair Board Office on Sunday, September 6, 2015, between 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm.

**AWARDS: Ribbons sponsored by the Stark County Agricultural Society
Pizza Parties sponsored by the Stark County Junior Fair Board**

TRASH CAN PAINTING CONTEST

Monday, August 31, 2015 – 5:30 P.M.

Junior Fair Food Stand

THEME:
“JUNIOR FAIR LIVES THE AMERICAN DREAM”

This contest is held to encourage creative art skills and cleanliness of the fairgrounds. It is open to any youth organization represented at the Stark County Junior Fair.

RULES:

- Must be a 55 gallon steel drum which will be provided free of charge. Limit ONE can per club.
- At least 5 holes, which are at least 1/2 inch in diameter in size, must be punched in the bottom of the drum.
- **NO SHARP EDGES!** (Especially on the top rim of the barrel.)
- Must be painted with a semi-gloss finish, no raised surfaces allowed (Puffy paint, etc.)
- Design must cover front and back of the drum.
- The club name and the theme must be painted on the drum in a place easily visible. All artwork must be completely the work of the club's members.
- Entries must be checked in at the Junior Fair Board Food Stand on Monday, August 31, 2015 by 5:00 P.M.
- Judging will commence promptly at 5:30 P.M. on Monday.
- Drums must be displayed during the entire fair.
- All drums become the property of Junior Fair and will remain permanently at the fairgrounds.
- Failure to submit a properly prepared barrel or failure to comply with any other contest rule will result in disqualification of the entry.
- Premiums will be awarded to the top five trash cans, \$25, \$20, \$15, \$10, and \$5. All other participating trash cans will be awarded \$2.00.
- Decision of the judge will be final.
- Scoring: Originality (25 points); neatness (25 points), creativity (25 points), use of theme (25 points).
- **ID tag will be issued by Junior Fair Board representative. Please fill out completely and place on the inside of barrel.**

BARN STALL DECORATING

Tuesday, September 1, 2015

THEME: “JUNIOR FAIR LIVES THE AMERICAN DREAM”

Ribbons are presented to the individual junior fair clubs for best decorated and best kept display areas. Areas of participation: Beef, Dairy, Goats, Sheep, Swine, Rabbit/Cavy, Poultry, All entries must be in keeping with the theme.

Judging will be based on:

Originality -	25 points
Creativity -	25 points
Neatness of Decorations and Exhibit Area -	25 points
Use of theme -	25 points

All decorations must be in place by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, August 29, 2011

Awards sponsored by the Stark County Junior Fair Board

SHOWMAN OF SHOWMEN

Monday, September 7, 2015

12:30 pm

Sheep and Swine Arena

New Arena

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Open to the Champion of Champions Showmanship winner, one representative per Department species at the 2015 Stark County Junior Fair. This includes Beef, Dairy, Goats, Sheep, Swine, Rabbits, Cavy, Poultry, and Horses.

Champion of Champions Showmanship winners will show in each of the various species classes excluding their own.

Each Champion of Champions Showmanship winner is required to assemble enough animals (complete with show halter if appropriate) from the area they represent, for each contestant.

The Junior Fair Board will handle all questions and make final decision on contest rules and procedures.

Ribbons provided by the Stark County Agricultural Society

PEDAL TRACTOR PULL

Monday, September 7, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.

Junior Fair Food Stand

A tractor pull using a pedal tractor and weight exchange for all ages (3 yr. through adult) using pedal power, or human strength. There will be six age classes with a prize given to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers. The classes are as follows:

Ages 3-4; ages 5-6; ages 7-8; ages 9-11; ages 12-14; and ages 15 - adult.

A \$2.00 registration fee will be charged in all classes.

RULES:

* A contract must be signed by a parent or guardian for participants under 18 years of age releasing the provider from any liability for injury which might occur.

* Participants over 18 ears of age must sign a contract releasing the provider from any liability for injury which might occur.

* **NO ONE WITH BARE FEET WILL BE PERMITTED TO PARTICPATE**

Prizes sponsored by the Stark County Junior Fair Board

“Fair Through My Eyes” Photography Contest

1. Open to any junior fair member (4H, FFA, Grange and Scouts) ages 9 thru 19.
2. Using a digital device (digital camera, cell phone, etc.) take your pictures of the 2015 Stark County Fair from Monday, August 31 thru Friday, September 4, 2015. Have your pictures printed in standard 4”x 6”

prints.

3. You can submit up to five (5) 4"x6" prints. NO memory sticks, cell phones or CDs will be accepted. Only 1 envelope (up to five prints) per participant. Envelopes can be picked up inside the Stark County Junior Fair Board Office. **Deadline to enter your pictures will be Friday, September 4, 2015 at NOON in the Stark County Junior Fair Board Office. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
4. There will be a drop off box in the Junior Fair Board office. You must use the designated envelope to enter up to five (5) 4"x6" prints. Complete the information on the front of the envelope and seal all 5 of your photos inside the envelope. Deposit your completed envelope in the drop box. Please be sure to list a phone number that you can easily be reached at during the fair such as a cell phone number.
5. A Grand Prize of \$25 cash will be given to the overall Champion Print. Ribbons will be awarded to the top three (3) places in each age division along with a coupon for one FREE milkshake from the Junior Fair Milkshake Stand.
6. All winners will be called and will be able to pick up their prizes at the Junior Fair Board Concession stand. All entries will be displayed during the fair in the 4H/Junior Fair Exhibit Hall.
7. Any photos that have been altered by any photo editing or enhancing program will not be accepted and the entry will be disqualified. Original, untouched photos ONLY!

Age Divisions:

Junior Division: Ages 9-11

Intermediate Division: Ages 12-14

Senior Division: Ages 15-19

AWARDS:

Overall Champion: \$25 cash + Rosette

Per Division:

1st place: Free milkshake + 1st place ribbon

2nd Place: Free milkshake + 2nd place ribbon

3rd Place: Free milkshake + 3rd place ribbon

PIZZA EATING CONTEST

Monday, September 7, 2015 - 11:30 a.m.
Junior Fair Food Stand

RULES:

* Participants will be charged an entry fee of \$1.00

* Divisions:

Junior: Ages 14 and under

Teen: Ages 15 -17

Senior: Ages 18 and over

* Participants will race each other for the fastest eating time

* Hands and feet cannot be used while the race is in progress

- * The fastest time in each division will win a prize

Prizes sponsored by the Stark County Junior Fair Board

PIE EATING CONTEST

Sunday, September 6, 2015 - 8:30 p.m.
Junior Fair Food Stand

RULES:

- * Participants will be charged an entry fee of \$1.00
- * Divisions:
 - Junior: Ages 14 and under
 - Teen: Ages 15 -17
 - Senior: Ages 18 and over
- * Participants will race each other for the fastest eating time
- * The fastest time in each division will win a prize

Prizes sponsored by the Stark County Junior Fair Board

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

“EVERY DAY HEROES”

- * Registration: Monday, August 24, 2015 9 A.M. - 5 P.M.
- * Judging: Monday, August 24, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.
- * Open to all boys and girls, ages 9 and up, who are members of a Junior Fair organization.
- * All photographs must be taken in Stark County and depict agriculture or urban life in keeping with the theme
- * Photographs must be taken between October 1, 2014 and the opening of the fair
- * Photographs must be a 5 x 7, 8 x 10, 11 x 14 or 16 x 20 in color or black and white
- * Photographs must be properly mounted and matted. **NOT FRAMED**
- * Member's name, address, age, date photo taken, and location of photo must be placed on the back of the matted board. **Each photo must also be accompanied by a 3 x 5 card with the member's name and club**

name. (DO NOT include address on this card for public viewing.) Do not fultac 3 x 5 card on photo matting--use a paper clip

- * Exhibitor is limited to five (5) entries
- * The Junior Fair Board, 4H office and other sponsors reserve the right to use the top photograph in each age division in future promotional efforts.
- * Each entry will receive an appropriate grad ribbon

DIVISIONS

Junior	Ages 9 - 12
Intermediate	Ages 13 - 16
Senior	Ages 17 & up

AWARDS: Ribbons sponsored by the Stark County Agricultural Society

GRAND PRIZE: Digital Camera

SPONSORS: Stark County Junior Fair Board and Stark County 4H Advisory Committee