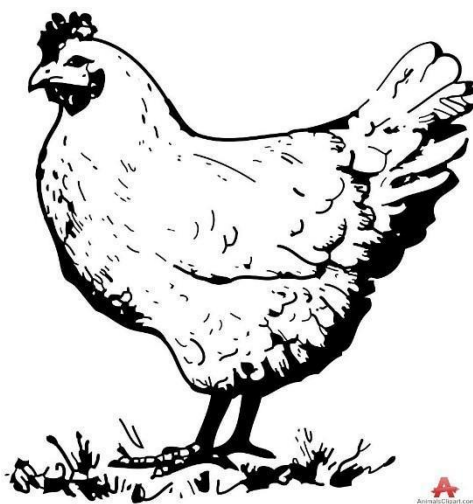


# 2024

## Stark County Junior Fair Poultry Rules



**YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN ENTRY!!**

**DEADLINE IS JULY 26<sup>th</sup> , 2024**

***NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED***

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## 2024 POULTRY RULES - STARK COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR

### 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 (4H, FFA, Grange, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc.)

1. To participate in 4H activities, youth must comply with the State 4H membership policy. 4H eligibility begins at age 5 (and in kindergarten as of January 1) and ends December 31 of the year in which they attain the age of 19.
2. Exhibitors in 4H classes must be enrolled in a 4H club in Stark County. Exhibits must be from 4H projects approved by the State or Local Extension office.
3. All members are encouraged to show in open class events.
4. Health rules for the livestock exhibits are the same as those governing all open class exhibits.
5. 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.
6. Animals released due to illness or injury must have a signed release from the Vet, Junior Fair Coordinator and/or barn superintendent. Anyone who removes an animal without permission will be subject to 1yr suspension.
7. Members must clean stalls or pens daily and keep the area neat and attractive. The committee reserves the right to withhold payment if any exhibitor does not keep his/her area clean and/or feed and water livestock.
8. Anyone assisting with showing another exhibitors animal must be enrolled as a current 4H or FFA or another youth organization member in Stark County.
9. All animals must remain on exhibit at the fair until 6:00 p.m. on Monday, the last day of the fair, EXCEPT market animals. Market animals are released at 4:00 p.m. No cleaning of pens until all animals are released from barn. Check species rules.
10. 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.
11. Animals sold are not eligible to be shown again by that exhibitor or any other 4H 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.
12. Exhibitors are responsible for their own veterinary bill.
13. Veterinarians assigned to the fair for check-in will decide all matters of health, presence of disease and stall release.
14. Ribbons and suitable award will be provided by the Fair Board. It is the privilege of the Fair Board to prorate cash premiums if the budget is exceeded.

15. Eligible youth may be members of both 4H (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 4H and in vocational agriculture by a member belonging in both organizations. Examples of different and separate projects are sheep breeding, market lambs; pullets, broiler. 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 4H or FFA classes.
16. 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.
17. 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.
18. **ALL ENTRIES ARE DUE BY MIDNIGHT ON JULY 26<sup>TH</sup>. NO EXCEPTIONS**
19. For all market animals that will be shown, grooming must be done by Stark County Junior Fair exhibitor or the exhibitors immediate family (reference Ohio Administrative Code: Chapter 901-19(P))["Family" means the immediate family of an exhibitor, including but not limited to the exhibitor's parent, step-parent, foster parent, grandparent, step-grandparent, foster grandparent, brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister, son, daughter, step-son, step-daughter or guardian]. A current Stark County junior fair exhibitor may also assist. This includes all projects entered in the Stark County Jr. Fair show during the Stark County Fair August 27<sup>th</sup> through September 2, 2024. Consequence of rule is no sale of animal.
20. No one is to handle a junior fair member's animal(s) without the permission of the junior fair exhibitor unless there is an emergency. Committee members may handle animals during the normal course of their duties (i.e., show, sale, weigh-in, pictures, loading, unloading).
21. Judges decisions are final in accordance with other published committee rules.
22. Any Medical/School excuses must be submitted in writing to Committee Chair and Junior Fair Coordinator.
23. It is **MANDATORY** for **ALL** Junior Fair Exhibitors to attend a **QUALITY ASSURANCE CLINIC (QA)** by **JUNE 1** prior to the fair. Any Junior Fair Exhibitor who does not attend a **QUALITY ASSURANCE CLINIC (QA)** will not be able to show at the fair or bring a carcass.
24. Exhibitors must complete a **DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORM** for all market animals and lactating animals prior to show. Those who do not comply **WILL NOT** be allowed to show! Ohio Revised Code 901-19-06 and 901-19-07 Mandated by the Ohio Department of Agriculture. All Junior Fair Livestock should be drug residue free on the first day of the fair unless specified on the DUNF. All members will be responsible for care of their market animals until completion of the Fair or until drug withdrawal period elapses or if quarantined.

## General Poultry Rules

1. Stark County Fair exhibitor's rules, inspection and health requirements of livestock exhibited in Ohio are found in the Stark County Agricultural Society Fair book. Any bird could be rejected and sent home if not in compliance with the rules and regulations. The decision of the Poultry Superintendent will be final.
2. Each Junior Fair exhibitor is responsible for feeding, watering, pen cleaning and caring for his or her own birds daily while on exhibit at the fair. A list of all Poultry exhibitors will be posted daily in the barn and must be signed each time the exhibitor cares for their birds. Evaluation by the Committee will be made three (3) times a day around 10:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Violating this rule will result in pen being tagged, exhibitor being warned, exhibitor's advisor being notified and possibly exhibitor being asked not to show poultry the following year or fees withdrawn from their check.
3. Each bird shall be free of any evidence of dangerously contagious or infectious disease and all birds must be lice-free. Birds showing any evidence of dangerously contagious, infectious disease, or lice WILL BE SENT HOME.
4. All Junior Fair exhibitors, having a poultry project, must show at the Junior Fair Show on Tuesday. All market exhibitors must be present at the time of sale or arrange to have another Junior Fair exhibitor represent them.
5. The Poultry Committee will provide plastic feeders and waterers to be used in the chicken, duck and turkey pens. No other feeders are acceptable.
6. The Poultry Committee will provide bedding to be used in the chicken, duck and turkey pens.
7. Fair pen assignments will be made by the Poultry Committee.
8. Photos may be purchased for all projects. Photos will be taken from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. on Monday, August 26, 2024. Photos are mandatory for all market Projects.
9. Recommended dress attire for show day is casual shorts, pants, skirt and a long sleeve white shirt or lab coat, overall appearance should be neat.
10. Posters and decorations will be allowed on the walls only. No items will be allowed on the pens.
11. All decorations and displays must remain in the barn until 5:00 pm on the last day of the fair. After 5:00 pm all decorations and displays must be removed so the barn can be cleaned.
12. The barn will be closed to the public at 4:00 pm on the last day of the fair.
13. It is the responsibility of the Junior Fair Exhibitor to secure all poultry for the projects except for 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers) and 150DM Duck, Market which will be supplied by the committee.
14. All poultry must be hatched, purchased, and in possession of the Junior Fair Exhibitor by June 1 of the current year, excluding 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers) and 150DM Duck, Market.
15. Junior Fair Poultry exhibited at the Stark County Fair will be supervised by the Poultry Committee. Questions about rules, exhibits, procedures, classes etc. will be decided first

by the Committee, then by the Junior Fair Coordinator, and finally by the Superintendent in charge.

### **MARKET POULTRY RULES**

1. Market poultry exhibitors are limited to one entry per class.
  - a. 150CM Chicken, Market(broilers)
  - b. 150TM Turkey, Market
  - c. 150DM Duck, Market.
2. Only chicks and ducklings distributed by the committee can be used for project 150CM Chicken, Market (Broiler) and 150DM (Market Duck). No exhibitor shall obtain chicks from any other source for this project. When the chicks are picked up, you become responsible for them. There are no replacements from any other sources, i.e. another Junior Fair member, Advisor or Committee.
3. Project 150TM Turkey Market must be hatched and in possession of exhibitor between **April 29,2024** and **May 18,2024** All turkeys must come from an NPIP Hatchery; a rapid whole blood test will not be used to test turkeys. Paperwork with hatch date must be turned in with project entry form. <sup>(a.)</sup>
  - a. You MUST upload a receipt to FairEntry that includes the Hatchery Name, Hatchery NPIP number and Hatch/Ship Date. Failure to do so will result in an incomplete entry and you will not be able to show or sell your turkey at the fair.
4. Due to state regulations, birds may not be co-mingled with other birds that exhibitor has in his/her possession.
5. Project 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers) weighing less than 4.0 pounds will result in both birds (pen) being unable to participate in the Market Show and Showmanship and WILL BE IMMEDIATELY SENT HOME. MARKET BROILERS WEIGHING GREATER THAN 10 POUNDS WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR GRAND OR RESERVE CHAMPION.
6. Project 150DM Duck Market weighing less than 5.0 pounds will result in both birds (pen) being unable to participate in the Market Show and Showmanship and WILL BE IMMEDIATELY SENT HOME.
7. Project 150TM Turkey, Market weighing less than 20.0 pounds will result in the bird being unable to participate in the Market Show and Showmanship and WILL BE IMMEDIATELY SENT HOME. MARKET TURKEYS WEIGHING GREATER THAN 50 POUNDS WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR GRAND OR RESERVE CHAMPION.
8. Market poultry MUST BE CLEAN AND DRY at weigh in. Projects that don't meet the minimum required weight are disqualified and must be immediately removed from the barn. If for some reason the exhibitor did not hear that their project did not meet the minimum weight, the exhibitor must remove their project immediately after being notified.
9. The Poultry Committee will provide feed for the 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers), 150DM Duck, Market and the 150TM Turkey, Market projects.
10. Project 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers) will be supplied by the Poultry Committee.

- a. A non-refundable project fee of \$45 for the first 20 chicks must be paid in the exact change by **May 09, 2024**.
  - b. Exhibitors may choose to purchase additional chicks in groups of 10, maximum of 20 chicks. Each additional group will be \$20
  - c. If you are dropping money off with the Junior Fair Coordinator, use the mailbox in front of the Junior Fair Office. **NO LATE PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
  - d. Do not mail in or drop money off at the Senior Fair Board Office.
  - e. Make checks out to Stark County Poultry Committee. **\*\*Please make sure to include your exhibitor's NAME AND CLUB on your check! \*\***
  - f. Payments for Project 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers) will be accepted at the Poultry Clinic.
  - g. Project 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers) pick-up time will be **Thursday, July 18, 2024**, from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm at the Poultry Barn. This will be the only chick pick-up time for this project. Your receipt is needed to pick-up the chicks. If the committee has your receipt, you can get it at the chick pick-up.
11. Project 150DM Duck Market will be supplied by the Poultry Committee.
- a. A non-refundable **\$4** per duck project fee must be paid in the exact change by **May 9, 2024**. If you are dropping money off with the Junior Fair Coordinator, use the mailbox in front of the Junior Fair Office. **NO LATE PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
  - b. Clearly mark how many ducks you want when you turn in your non-refundable project fee (\$4 per duck). There is a minimum order of 2 and a maximum of 20 ducklings per exhibitor.
  - c. Do not mail in or drop money off at the Senior Fair Board Office.
  - d. Make checks out to the Stark County Poultry Committee.
  - e. Payments for Project 150DM Duck, Market will be accepted at the Poultry Clinic.
  - f. Project 150DM Duck, Market pick-up time will be **Thursday, June 27, 2024, from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm at the Poultry Barn**. This will be the only duck pick-up time for this project. Your receipt is needed to pick-up the ducklings. If the committee has your receipt, you can get it at the duck pick-up.

### Exhibition Poultry Rules

1. Project 150CEP Chicken, Egg Production: Hens and **Pullets** - Hatched on or after January 1 of the current year.
2. Project 150CEP Chicken, Egg Production: **Hens** and Pullets - Hatched on or after January 1 of the previous year). An example is the same birds you took as pullets the previous year.
3. Project 150CE Chicken, Exhibition (Fancy Poultry I) - Hatched on or after January 1 of the current year.
4. Project 150CE Chicken, Exhibition (Fancy Poultry II) - Hatched on or after January 1 of the previous year. An example is the same birds you took for the Fancy project the previous year.

5. All EXHIBITION/PRODUCTION (150CE Chicken, Exhibition, 150CEP Chicken, Egg Production) poultry projects must have a negative test for pullorum fowl typhoid disease completed at testing and banding clinic (see calendar/important date page). There is a MANDATORY \$1 FEE per bird, payment due on testing date.
6. Production Hens and Pullets
  - a. First-year exhibitors may enter only 1 class.
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup>-year and beyond may show 2 projects.
    - i. Class 1 Pullets- Birds must be hatched after Jan. 1 current year.
    - ii. Class 2 Hens- Birds hatched Prior to Jan 1 of current year.
7. Fancy/Exhibition Poultry
  - a. Exhibitor may show 2 pairs their first year. 2nd year and beyond may show up to 4 pairs (young/ old or a combination of both.)
  - b. Exhibitors may only show 1 pair per class below.
  - c. Birds will be judged by the 6 major classes as per the APA standard of perfection. (American, Asiatic, Continental, English, Mediterranean and All other standard Breeds)
  - d. Classes are as follows
    - i. American- Old pair
    - ii. American- Young pair
    - iii. Asiatic- Old pair
    - iv. Asiatic- Young pair
    - v. Continental- Old pair
    - vi. Continental -Young pair
    - vii. English -Old pair
    - viii. English- Young pair
    - ix. Mediterranean -Old pair
    - x. Mediterranean -Young pair
    - xi. AOB- Old pair
    - xii. AOB- Young pair
  - e. Committee reserves the right to combine classes.
  - f. Birds must be shown in a pair (Cock/hen, cockerel/ pullet)
  - g. *Young pair- Birds hatched after Jan 1 to May 1 of current year.*
  - h. *Adult pair- Birds hatched prior to Jan 1 of current year.*
  - i. Exhibitor should choose birds of similar age.
  - j. Bantams and Standard will show separately but will both compete for Champion Fancy.
8. Exhibition Duck
  - a. Separate birds than the 150DM (Market Duck) project.
  - b. Exhibitor will bring a single duck.
  - c. Class 1 -Standard duck (drake/hen) Break up into age groups young/ old
  - d. Class 2- Bantam duck (drake/hen) Break up into age groups young/ old
  - e. Young birds must be hatched Prior to May 1 of current year.
  - f. Adult birds- birds hatched prior to Jan1 of current year.

### **LOAD-IN / CHECK-IN**

1. All market birds (chickens, ducks, and turkeys) will be weighed in and banded on **Monday, August 26, 2024**, from 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm (Pictures will be taken at this time). This will be the only weigh-in for the market birds.
2. Birds that get injured or die after being checked in can be replaced up to 8:30 pm on August 26, 2024. A bird that is injured needs to be cleared by the Stark County Fair Veterinarian prior to being replaced. Birds that have died do not need to be cleared by the Stark County Fair Veterinarian to be replaced.
3. Birds that die after 8:30 pm on **Monday, August 26, 2024**, will not be permitted to be replaced for the show (all birds must be checked in by 8:30 pm).
4. Exhibitors or parents must be present to weigh-in the birds.
5. All other non-market poultry projects must be checked in and, placed in their assigned pens no later than Monday, **August 26, 2024**, by 8:30 pm. Late arrivals will not be accepted.

### **SKILL-A-THON**

1. It is mandatory for all Junior Fair Exhibitors to attend and complete the skill-a-thon. Failure to attend and complete skill-a-thon will result in not being able to participate at the fair.
2. The Poultry Skill-a-thon will be held on **Sunday, August 11, 2024**, from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm in the Poultry Barn.
3. You are required to submit an **UP-TO-DATE** project book at Skill-a-thon.

### **CLASSES AND AWARDS**

1. Ribbons will be awarded by the Stark County Agricultural Society.
2. There must be a minimum of 5 birds in each class for exhibitors to be eligible for awards.
3. Rosettes will be awarded if there are less than 5 birds in a class.

### **SHOWMANSHIP**

1. Any person participating in showmanship, must show their own junior fair birds.
2. Sign-up sheet will be available the day of the show.
3. Showmanship classes (All ages are as of January 1 of the current year)
  - Senior (15 Years of age and over)
  - Intermediate (12-14 Years of Age)
  - Junior (9-11 Years of Age)
  - First Year Novice (Exhibitors 13 years and older that have never shown any poultry)
  - First Year (Exhibitors 12 years and younger that have never shown any poultry)

### **MARKET SALE**

1. All Market birds must be sold at the Poultry Sale on **Wednesday, August 28, 2024**, starting at 6:00 p.m. (Exhibition birds cannot be sold until after the fair).
2. Each Junior Fair Meat Pen Exhibitor must be present or represented by another Junior Fair member at the sale.
3. A sale fee for each market pen will be assessed as follows: Champion pen – 6% of sale price, Reserve Champion pen – 3.5% of sale price, and all other pens - \$10.00 from sale price.  
**Processing fees will be added to the buyer's invoice.**



4. Please note: All sale checks must be cashed within 90 days of issue date.
5. Thank you notes for buyers are due to the Poultry Mailbox in the Poultry Barn by noon, **August 31, 2024**, in order to receive your check. A list of buyer addresses will be in the Poultry Barn. No thank you – No check!
6. All processed birds will be picked up at the Stark County Fairgrounds on Thursday, September 12, 2024 between 4:30-6:30pm. Unclaimed birds will be donated after 6:30 p.m.

**2024 COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

<b><u>Office</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Phone Number</u></b>
President	Liz Evans	330.575.4261 (call or text)
Vice President	Kim Holderbaum-Blankenship	***
Secretary	Melody Hawk	330.447.3778 (call or text)
Treasurer	Stephanie Haines	330.428.4088 (call or text)
	Jessica Seich	330.413.7756 (call or text)
	Rachel Ballinger	330.904.8010 (call or text)
	Shelley Johnson	330.495.4155 (call or text)
	Jasmine Ramey	330.354.2045 (call or text)
	Dan Johnson	330.495.2900 (call or text)

**AUCTION/PROMO COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES**

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES**

Rachel Ballinger

**SENIOR FAIR POULTRY SUPERINTENDENTS**

Dan Farnham

**JUNIOR FAIR BOARD REPRESENTATIVES**

Laney Hawk

Bryce Hughes

**JUNIOR FAIR COORDINATOR**

Julie Pinter 330-606-5313

## 2024 POULTRY DATES

- April 28** Educational Clinic for new members, all members are welcome to attend. Location to be determined (Committee members will be accepting the non-refundable project fees for Project 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers) and 150DM Duck, Market).
- May 1** Poultry Ambassador application due; **Stark County Jr Fair, ATTN Poultry Committee, PO Box 80182 Canton OH 44708**
- April 29-May18** Project 150TM Turkey, Market hatch and in possession
- May 9** Project 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers) non-refundable project fee of \$45.00 due to the Poultry treasurer or Junior Fair Office by 8:00 pm. Do not mail in or drop off payment to the Senior Fair Board Office. Use mailbox outside of Junior Fair Office. **NO LATE PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED**
- Project 150DM Duck, Market non-refundable \$4 per duck project fee due to the Poultry treasurer or Junior Fair Office by 8:00 pm. Do not mail in or drop off payment to the Senior Fair Board Office. Use mailbox outside of Junior Fair Office. **NO LATE PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED**
- June 1** All poultry must be hatched, purchased, and in possession except for project 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers) and Project 150DM Duck, Market.
- Mandatory for all Junior Fair exhibitors to attend a Quality Assurance Training Clinic by **JUNE 1** prior to the fair.
- June 27** Project 150DM Duck, Market pick-up at Fairgrounds from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. You must have your receipt to get your ducklings. Bring an appropriate box or container to transport them home.

- July 18** Project 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers), Market pick-up at Fairgrounds from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. You must have your receipt to get your chicks. Bring an appropriate box or container to transport them home.
- July 26** Entry deadline for all entry forms. **TURKEY PROJECTS MUST ATTACH NPIP TO ENTRY.** All entries are online again this year (as are DUNF – Drug Use Notification Forms)
- August 11** Skill-a-thon 12pm to 3pm at the fairgrounds  
(Your UP-TO-DATE project book is due at this time.)  
On-site Pullorum Testing Clinic FANCY I, FANCY II, PULLETS, LAYERS ONLY
- August 26** Weigh-ins and leg banding for market birds from 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm. All other projects must be checked in and leg banded by 8:30 pm.  
Pictures will be from 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm.
- August 27** Poultry show starts at 9:00 am with Project 150CM Chicken, Market (broilers). Showmanship to follow show.
- August 28** Poultry sale starts at 6:00 pm.
- August 30** **\*\*New Time!\*\*** Project 150CE Chicken, Exhibition (Fancy Poultry I) show starts at 9:00 am. Showmanship to follow show.
- August 31** Thank you notes for buyers are due in the Poultry Barn (in the committee mailbox) by noon. A list of sale results with buyer’s address will be available.
- September 1** Poultry Costume Contest; 12:00 pm in the Poultry Barn
- September 2** Poultry Barn closes at 4:00 pm to the public.  
All birds need to be removed from the barn between 5:00 pm and 6:30 pm.  
All decorations must be removed from the barn between 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm
- September 12** Buyers need to pick up all processed birds at the Stark County Fairgrounds from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Unclaimed birds will be donated to the Akron Canton Food Bank after 6:30 p.m.

**Poultry Ambassador**

Requirements as the Stark County Poultry Ambassador will be to attend poultry committee meetings throughout the year, assist with the poultry clinic, fair setup/teardown, participate in the poultry show, and represent Stark County at surrounding fairs. **APPLICATION DUE MAY 1, 2024. Please mail your completed application to Stark County Jr Fair, ATTN Poultry Committee, PO Box 80182 Canton OH 44708**

Open to anyone 16-19 who has shown poultry for at least 2 years at the Stark County Fair.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Age (As of January 1) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years in Poultry Project \_\_\_\_\_

An essay is required stating your contributions to the poultry industry, and why you feel suited for this ambassador position.

List any activities and involvements in School, Church, Community, and 4-H/FFA:

Please attach to application.