



2021 Swain County Fair 4-H Open Livestock Shows



4-H Open All Breeds Poultry Show: Check-In 8:00 AM, Judging 9:00 AM

4-H Open All Breeds Rabbit Show: Check-In 8:00 AM, Judging 9:00 AM

4-H Open All Breeds Poultry/Rabbit Costume Display: Check-in 11:00 AM, Judging 11:30 AM

4-H Open All Breeds Market Steer Show: Check-In 10:00 AM, Show 11:00 AM

4-H Open All Breeds Beef Heifer Show: Check-In 10:00 AM, Show 11:30 PM

4-H Open All Breeds Market Lamb Show: Check-In 1:00 PM, Show 2:00 PM

4-H Open All Breeds Cattle/Lamb/Goat Costume Show: will begin around 3:00 PM

General Rules and Regulations

The Swain County Fair follows the rules and regulations set forth by the North Carolina 4-H and Youth Development Program for the Livestock Shows. Only youth ages 8-18 (as of January 1, 2021) are eligible to compete in Swain County 4-H Open Livestock Shows. Exhibitors ages 8-18 must show his/her own livestock without assistance. Youth ages 5-7 (as of January 1, 2021) may participate but the exhibitors animals will not be judged competitively. Exhibitors ages 5-7 may be assisted by an adult. Youth do not have to be a Swain County 4-H member to participate in 4-H Livestock Shows.

Exhibitors must have "cared for" all animals at least 30 days prior to the date of the show.

Exhibitors must provide food and water for their animal exhibits and keep their animals area clean and presentable at all times. As well as clean up their area at the conclusion of the show and dispose of any shavings or manure before leaving the fairgrounds.

Animals will be released after the completion of each show. There will be no removal of animals while the shows are in progress. Poultry and Rabbit exhibits must remain in place the duration of the fair. Any exhibitor removing animals without official release or before release time will forfeit any prize monies and/or awards.

The judge's decisions are final.

Completed entry forms and applicable forms must be received by Friday, August 13, 2021. All requested information must be completed for an entry form to be considered official. Entries will be received until the entry deadline. Drop off/mail/email entries to: Swain County Cooperative Extension 60 Almond School Road (P.O. Box 2329) Bryson City, NC 28713

Any exhibitor using abusive or excessive force with their animal will be asked to leave the fairground and forfeit any premium money or awards.

4-H Open All Breeds Poultry

Rules and Regulations

- Any youth is eligible to exhibit
- Youth under the age of 19 as of January 1, 2021 are eligible to participate. Youth ages 14 and older as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Senior exhibitors and youth ages 8-13 as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Junior exhibitors. Youth ages 5-7 as of January 1, 2021 will show in noncompetitive classes only. Youth under the age of 5 are not eligible to participate.
- Birds will be entered in single classes only.
- All birds will be cared for and fed by the exhibitor.
- The fair will furnish cages and cups for food and water.
- All birds must be entered in the name of the bona fide owner who must have owned the birds for at least 30 days prior to deadline.
- All birds are entered at the risk of the owner and the Swain County Fair will not be responsible for any loss or damage but will exercise all possible vigilance in the care of the birds. No one will be allowed to handle birds on display except the owners and officials of the show.
- Judge will not award premiums to any animal because of its mere presence. It must be individually worthy. The judge has the right not to award a first place ribbon/premium if the item does not merit the placing.
- Decision of the judge will be final.
- Exhibitors may not accompany judge during his/her deliberations.
- Birds must remain on exhibition for the duration of the fair.

Awards:

- Cock: Male Bird, 1 year old or over
- Cockerel: Male Bird, less than 1 year old
- Hen: Female Bird, 1 year old or over
- Pullet: Female Bird, less than 1 year old
- Best of Show:
 - Standard Chicken
 - Bantam Chicken

*****Health Requirements: Birds will be blood typed by NCDVA Veterinary Division at the time of check-in.**

4-H Open All Breeds Rabbit Show

Rules and Regulations

- Any youth is eligible to exhibit
- Youth under the age of 19 as of January 1, 2021 are eligible to participate. Youth ages 14 and older as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Senior exhibitors and youth ages 8-13 as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Junior exhibitors. Youth ages 5-7 as of January 1, 2021 will show in noncompetitive classes only. Youth under the age of 5 are not eligible to participate.
- Rabbits will be entered in single classes only.
- All rabbits will be cared for and fed by the exhibitor.
- The fair will furnish cages.
- All rabbits must be entered in the name of the bona fide owner who must have owned the birds for at least 30 days prior to deadline.
- All rabbits are entered at the risk of the owner and the Swain County Fair will not be responsible for any loss or damage but will exercise all possible vigilance in the care of the birds. No one will be allowed to handle animals on display except the owners and officials of the show.
- Judge will not award premiums to any animal because of its mere presence. It must be individually worthy. The judge has the right not to award a first place ribbon/premium if the item does not merit the placing.
- Decision of the judge will be final.
- Exhibitors may not accompany judge during his/her deliberations.
- Rabbits must remain on exhibition for the duration of the fair.

Awards:

- Best of Show
 - Junior: 1st - 2nd - 3rd
 - Senior: 1st - 2nd - 3rd

4-H Open All Breeds Poultry and Rabbit Costume Display

Rules and Regulations

- Any youth is eligible to exhibit
- Youth under the age of 19 as of January 1, 2021 are eligible to participate. Youth ages 14 and older as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Senior exhibitors and youth ages 8-13 as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Junior exhibitors. Youth ages 5-7 as of January 1, 2021 will show in noncompetitive classes only. Youth under the age of 5 are not eligible to participate.
- All poultry and rabbits will be cared for and fed by the exhibitor.
- The fair will furnish cages and cups for food and water.
- If an exhibitor is participating in the costume display they will need to adhere to the check-in time for poultry and rabbits.
- If an exhibitor has more than one animal (chicken or rabbit) in the fair they may pick one animal to use in the Costume Show.
- Exhibitors will use the cage area that they are assigned for their animal as the space they are given to decorate for the costume exhibit. Items used for decoration may be placed inside and/or on the cage or on the animal as long as it is safe for the animal.
- All poultry and rabbits must be entered in the name of the bona fide owner who must have owned the birds for at least 30 days prior to deadline.
- All poultry and rabbits are entered at the risk of the owner and the Swain County Fair will not be responsible for any loss or damage but will exercise all possible vigilance in the care of the birds. No one will be allowed to handle animals on display except the owners and officials of the show.
- Decision of the judge will be final.

Awards:

- Best "County Fair" Display/Costume
- Most Elaborate Display/Costume
- Funniest Display/Costume
- Best Character Impression Display/Costume Best In Show Display/Costume

4-H Open All Breeds Market Steer Show

Rules and Regulations

- Any youth is eligible to exhibit
- Youth under the age of 19 as of January 1, 2021 are eligible to participate. Youth ages 14 and older as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Senior exhibitors and youth ages 8-13 as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Junior exhibitors. Youth ages 5-7 as of January 1, 2021 will show in noncompetitive classes only. Youth under the age of 5 are not eligible to participate.
- Participants exhibit animals at their own risk. No health papers are required. However, NCDA Veterinary Division staff will be on site to inspect animals.
- All animals must be shown at halter.
- If an exhibitor has more than one animal in a class, the second entry may be shown by another eligible youth.
- Each exhibitor must assume all liability in the case of death or injury to his/her livestock.
- Exhibitors must have been the primary caretakers of the heifer(s) entered in his/her name for at least 30 days prior to the show date.
 - Entries will be divided into weight groups
 - Steers must be dehorned
 - Steers will be weighed in at check-in

Awards:

- Lightweight: 1st - 2nd - 3rd
- Middleweight: 1st - 2nd - 3rd
- Heavyweight: 1st - 2nd - 3rd
- Grand Champion Market Steer
- Reserve Champion Market Steer
- Showmanship:
 - Cloverbud
 - Junior
 - Grand Champion Showman
 - Reserve Champion Showman
 - Senior
 - Grand Champion Showman
 - Reserve Champion Showman

4-H Open All Breeds Beef Heifer Show

Rules and Regulations

- Any youth is eligible to exhibit
- Youth under the age of 19 as of January 1, 2021 are eligible to participate. Youth ages 14 and older as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Senior exhibitors and youth ages 8-13 as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Junior exhibitors. Youth ages 5-7 as of January 1, 2021 will show in noncompetitive classes only. Youth under the age of 5 are not eligible to participate.
- Participants exhibit animals at their own risk. No health papers are required. However, NCDA Veterinary Division staff will be on site to inspect animals.
- All animals must be shown at halter.
- If an exhibitor has more than one animal in a class, the second entry may be shown by another eligible youth.
- Each exhibitor must assume all liability in the case of death or injury to his/her livestock.
- Exhibitors must have been the primary caretakers of the heifer(s) entered in his/her name for at least 30 days prior to the show date.

Awards

Classes relate to the birth range of the animal:

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| Mar 1, 2019 & after: | 1st - 2nd - 3rd |
| Jan 1 - Feb 28, 2019: | 1st - 2nd - 3rd |
| Nov 1 - Dec 31, 2018: | 1st - 2nd - 3rd |
| Sept 1 - Oct 31, 2018: | 1st - 2nd - 3rd |
| July 1 - Aug 31, 2018: | 1st - 2nd - 3rd |
| May 1 - June 30, 2018: | 1st - 2nd - 3rd |
| Mar 1 - April 30, 2018: | 1st - 2nd - 3rd |
| Jan 1 - Feb 28, 2018: | 1st - 2nd - 3rd |
| Nov 1 - Dec 31, 2017: | 1st - 2nd - 3rd |
| Sept 1 - Oct 31, 2017: | 1st - 2nd - 3rd |

- Grand Champion Beef Heifer
- Reserve Champion Beef Heifer
- Showmanship:
 - Cloverbud
 - Junior
 - Grand Champion Showman
 - Reserve Champion Showman
 - Senior
 - Grand Champion Showman
 - Reserve Champion Showman

4-H Open Market Lamb Show

Rules and Regulations

- Any youth is eligible to exhibit
- Youth under the age of 19 as of January 1, 2021 are eligible to participate. Youth ages 14 and older as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Senior exhibitors and youth ages 8-13 as of January 1, 2021 will be considered Junior exhibitors. Youth ages 5-7 as of January 1, 2021 will show in noncompetitive classes only. Youth under the age of 5 are not eligible to participate.
- Lambs shown must be ewes or wethers; no rams will be allowed to show. Lambs will be shown as Market Lambs regardless of the sex of the animal.
- All lambs will be subject to mouthing when checked in and must have all temporary (baby) teeth in place at time of show
- All sheep and goats must comply with USDA and NCDA&CS Scrapie Eradication Program guidelines. Sheep and goats without scrapie tag or registration paper with corresponding tattoo information at the time of check in will not be allowed. Scrapie Flock ID numbers must be presented at the time of check in. Call 1-866-USDATAG or 919-855-7707 for more information. Veterinary Division staff will be onsite to inspect your animal. Show Superintendent or Judge may refuse to allow animals to enter or show that appear sick or show signs of infection.
- If an exhibitor has more than one animal in a class, the second entry may be shown by another eligible youth.
- There will NOT be a sale of market lambs
- Classes will be determined by the weight of the animal.
- Showmanship classes will be determined by the age of the exhibitor

Awards:

- Lightweight: 1st - 2nd - 3rd
- Middleweight: 1st - 2nd - 3rd
- Heavyweight: 1st - 2nd - 3rd
- Grand Champion Market Lamb
- Reserve Champion Market Lamb
- Showmanship:
 - Cloverbud
 - Junior
 - Grand Champion Showman
 - Reserve Champion Showman
 - Senior
 - Grand Champion Showman
 - Reserve Champion Showman

4-H Open All Breeds Cattle/Lamb/Goat Costume Show

Rules and Regulations

- Any youth is eligible to exhibit
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- If an exhibitor is participating in the costume show they will need to adhere to the check-in time for steers, heifers, and lambs, this includes goats.
- All sheep and goats must comply with USDA and NCDA&CS Scrapie Eradication Program guidelines. Sheep and goats without scrapie tag or registration paper with corresponding tattoo information at the time of check in will not be allowed. Scrapie Flock ID numbers must be presented at the time of check in. Call 1-866-USDATAG or 919-855-7707 for more information. Veterinary Division staff will be onsite to inspect your animal. Show Superintendent or Judge may refuse to allow animals to enter or show that appear sick or show signs of infection.
- If an exhibitor has more than one animal (cow, lamb, or goat) in the fair they may pick one animal to use in the Costume Show.

Awards:

- Best "County Fair" Costume
- Most Elaborate Costume
- Funniest Costume
- Best Character Impersonation
- Best In Show