

Youth Special Awards

Genevieve A Clark Memorial Homemaker Award

Premium: \$25.00

This award will be given to the individual who demonstrated the greatest overall proficiency in these areas: Sewing, cooking, gardening, arts and crafts and child development. In order to be eligible for this award, youth must submit one entry in each of at least three of the above mentioned categories. Please indicate on your list of entries that you wish to be considered for the award.

The 2023 Oswego County Fair Youth Character Award

The recipient of this award will be a youth (age 5-19) who exhibits the following behaviors and character traits while participating at the 2023 Oswego County Fair:

1. Exemplary Exhibitor Conduct-dedicated to showcasing his or her own exhibits to the best of his/her ability, especially as it pertains to cleanliness and appropriate animal husbandry.
2. Pro-Active Leadership- Willing to go above and beyond to help fellow exhibitors succeed, especially by assisting younger and less experienced exhibitors with their projects; devoting energy toward ensuring that the Oswego County Fair is a positive and educational experience for fairgoers of all ages (for example: creates educational displays, volunteers to participate in the Ask Me program or the knowledge scavenger hunt, serves as a Junior Superintendent, etc.)
3. Impeccable Sportsmanship- Portraying a positive attitude toward fellow competitors, as well as toward project animals, evaluators, fair leadership and fair visitors.
4. Positive Attitude- Actively contributing to the positive experience of both exhibitors and fair visitors.
5. Character Role Model- Maintaining a positive approach to others in all circumstances.

Herdsmen Award

This award will be given at the awards ceremony the last day of the fair. Herdsmen's award is given to an individual/group of youth who take care of their animal(s) throughout the fair. This award will be awarded on the following basis: Exhibits in and completely arranged by 10:00 am on the first day of the fair. Animals and area are free of manure, clean, adequately bedded, evidence of adequate water and free from debris, pens/animals must be securely fastened, aisle kept raked and clean, all equipment (hay straw etc) must be neatly stacked or put away, area free from clutter, exhibitor should be neat and attractive appearance, with proper footwear for working in a barn, good sportsmanship is expected towards other exhibitors and those attending the fair, pens or bar space decorations are clean, neat, attractive and animal friendly.

N. Lewis Clark Junior Dairy Award Field to Fit Youth Dairy Cattle Fitting and Grooming Contest

Date: June 30th, 2023 3:00pm

Superintendent: Kathy Jamerson 315-963-7554

Eligibility: (Age as of January 1st of this year)

- Junior Contest Ages 9-11
- Senior Contest Ages 14-18
- Must be Oswego County Fair Exhibitor

Rules and Regulations:

- Each participant must furnish one dairy heifer to be used. This can be any dairy animal entered in the Oswego County Fair Junior Dairy Show. While there are no age requirements on the animal, we suggest that the animal be at least a Junior Yearling.
- The animal must be clean and dry upon entering the ring for the contest
- While grooming chutes are not required, their use is encouraged; the fair will not supply grooming chutes.

- Each contestant must provide his or her own fitting equipment. No equipment will be supplied. It is recommended that contestants bring extra brushes, clipper blades, etc. No nose tongs will be allowed. All fitting equipment must be clean. All participants must wear rubber boots, which can be disinfected.
- Youth must designate a youth assistant to restrain the animal. Holder is to be of same division and is not allowed to clip animal-only the fitting contestant is allowed to clip the animal, e.g. Junior fitter holder can only help Junior fitter. Senior holders can only help senior fitter control and restrain their animal.
- No adult assistance or coaching is allowed
- Each individual will have 1 ½ hours to complete the clipping of their animal.
- For the junior contest, each animal is required to have head and upper half of neck clipped before entering the ring for contest. The remaining part of the animal must be unclipped. Hooves should be trimmed as well.
- Any questions concerning rules and regulations should be directed to the show superintendent.
- The Superintendent will make the final decision.

Animal Rules

1. All agriculture and Market Rules must be read and followed.
2. ALL ANIMAL ENTRIES BE SUBMITTED BY June 13th, 2023
3. All Oswego County Youth participants entering in Youth Show must stay the duration of the fair.
4. All animals must be in place by June 30th at 10:00 am. No animals may be left in barns after release unless superintendent present.
5. **Animals will be released July 2nd, 2023 at 6:00pm**
6. Title of animals over 1 year old must be shown on the registry certificate with ownership recorded by January 1st of the current year. (A non-owned) animal may be shown if the exhibitor designates the animal as a project animal and starts care for the animal by May 1st. Only 2 non-owned animals may be shown per species by an

exhibitor, and only if they do not already own one of the designated species. An approved certificate of non-ownership must be on file with the Oswego County 4-H office or General Youth Livestock Superintendent by May 1st of the current year.

7. A child is deemed the owner of any animal if the animal is registered to the child's family's farm
8. Health and Registration papers must be presented when called for and be in possession of the exhibitor during the fair. Failure to meet the above regulations will mean that those exhibitors will be asked to leave the fair.
9. No animals are allowed in the barns until Vet Check is completed.
10. No one can sleep in the barns.
11. Animals not in control in the show ring will be disqualified.
12. Exhibitors must clean their area before leaving, and have it checked by the animal superintendent.
13. Due to safety consideration, no large animals (dairy, beef) will be shown by anyone under 8 years old except Jr. Calves.
14. **Any exhibitor entering an animal must enter their own animal in showmanship class and participate in it or forfeit all premiums.**
15. **All Junior Exhibitors must participate with fitting their animals.**
16. Showman classes- you must enter your class by age (as of January 1st of current year). Last year's winnings do not carry over. The judge will decide who competes for Master Showmanship. **Beginner: 5-8 years old, Novice: 9-12 years old and has never shown his/her species before, Junior: 9-13 years old and Senior: 14-18 years old.**
17. **No bulls will be allowed in the Dairy Show**
18. **All conflicts and rule controversies shall be presented to and resolved by the General Youth Livestock Superintendent.**