



2025 Preble County Junior Fair

Foundation of Champions

Showmanship Clinic

May 28, 2025

Expo Center at 6:30 pm

hosted by MVCTC National Trail FFA

Rabbitfest

May 31, 2025

Bruner Arena

Mandatory Junior Fair Feeder Calf Tag In

Sunday, June 8, 2025

6 pm – 8 pm

(Feeder calf exhibitors must have their feeder calf entry into FairEntry by Thursday, June 5)

Feeder calves will be tagged while on the trailer in front of the fair office.

Deadline for Junior Fair Livestock and Non-livestock Entries into FairEntry

Sunday, June 15, 2025

at 11:59 pm.

Livestock exhibitors must sign up for showmanship for their species through fair entry. **If you have already tagged in market beef, market goat, market sheep, or market hog, your entries for these projects are already in fair entry when you had your animal tagged. Do not add these market animals to the fair entry again. This will cause your entries to be sent back.**

May 16, 2025

Important Fair Dates

Mandatory Junior Fair Breeding Rabbit

Check-In at the Toney Building from

Sunday, June 22, 2025

3 pm – 5 pm

Junior Fair Royalty Contest

Sunday, June 29, 2025

Expo Expansion

7 pm

Mandatory Junior Fair Market Rabbit

Check-In in front of the Toney Building

Sunday, July 13, 2025

*****7 pm – 8 pm**

(This time is a correction from the last update.)

Deadline for Open Class Entries:

Poultry, Swine

Antiques

Farm Products, Floral

Household Arts

Visual Arts

Saturday, July 12, 2025

DUNF Forms

Must be completed by

11:59 pm on

Saturday, July 19, 2025

Skillathon Contest

Monday, July 21, 2025

Expo Expansion

Preble County Fair

July 26, 2025 – August 2, 2025

Important Reminders

Poultry – New updates since April 8

The Ohio Department of Agriculture has lifted restrictions on the movement of live poultry birds at auctions, flea or livestock markets, swaps, breed shows, and exhibitions.

Therefore, all Preble County Junior Fair Poultry Exhibitors intending to exhibit poultry at the 2025 Preble County Junior Fair must take possession of their Breeding Poultry by June 15.

In addition, for 2025 all junior fair poultry exhibitors must do the following:

- Complete your birds' Pre-fair Poultry Verification form and have the approved adult volunteer sign off on the form
- Have all breeding poultry entries in the fair entry systems by **Tuesday, July 1, 2025**. You will also enter the showmanship division entry in FairEntry.

Please note that ownership dates for other species have not changed and must be followed.

Junior Fair Poultry Exhibitors

This means there is NO Pre-Fair Check-In Day for Poultry for 2025!

New for this year: All exhibitors will have their birds go through the Preble County Pre-Fair Poultry Verification process. This process is required before exhibitors enter their poultry projects into the Fair Entry System. This Pre-Fair Poultry Verification will ensure that each exhibitor's bird has been correctly classed by sex, breed, and variety before entering the poultry projects into the Fair Entry System.

Here is what PCJF poultry exhibitors need to do:

- 1) ***ALL Preble County Junior Fair poultry exhibitors must fill out the Preble County Pre-Fair Poultry Verification Form for the***

birds they enter in the junior fair poultry show. This form is now available at the fair office or on preblecountyfair.com.

In addition, a PDF document has been created, which can help when filling out the form. This document can be found with the verification form on preblecountyfair.com, which lists all the junior fair poultry class options. (An Example of the form and the junior breeding bird list is at the end of this news update.)

- 2) ***The Preble County Junior Fair Poultry Exhibitor will have their actual birds verified by the adult volunteers listed on the form or by the exhibitor's 4-H or FFA Advisors (if that advisor feels comfortable verifying).***
- 3) After the exhibitor has verified their birds and had their Preble County Pre-Fair Poultry Verification Form signed off by the 4-H or FFA Advisor or the approved adult volunteer, they will enter their information into Fair Entry.
- 4) The exhibitor will drop off or email a copy of their Preble County Pre-Fair Poultry Verification Form to the **fair office** for record keeping.

The rules regarding poultry exhibitors having the proper paperwork or blood test results still apply. The poultry verification form designates folks who can perform blood tests on breeding birds. Please call the fair office with questions or refer to the 2025 online Preble County Fair Book regarding the requirement of hatchery papers, NPIP test papers, or blood test papers for poultry.

This process (Pre-fair poultry verification, breeding bird blood testing if applicable, and poultry entries made in Fair Entry) must be completed by **Tuesday, July 1, 2025**.

Please note: this pre-fair poultry verification process is required for ALL breeding poultry, except for:

market turkeys
market broilers
breeding turkeys
geese

The above birds are the only birds exempted from the verification process. However, those exhibitors must still verify their entries with the proper paperwork.

Once the exhibitor's poultry project check-in has been completed, no changes will be made to any of the exhibitor's entries. This includes changes made in the past at the fair or during the pre-fair move-in. The EXHIBITOR is responsible for verifying that they have listed ALL their poultry entries on their form.

Reminder - Any turkey over 1 year of age, or a turkey of 1 year of age without hatchery papers, must be blood tested by a licensed veterinarian. Advisors: Please provide the fair office with a list of turkeys that need blood testing on July 1st. Dr. Brissey has agreed to set up the test for the turkeys identified as needing testing for a small fee. Once the fair office knows how many turkeys need to be tested, it will set up a date with Dr. Brissey for that to be done so that anyone who needs it can come in then and have the test done. Blood testing for the turkeys will not take place until after July 1st.

Additional rule change: Only breeds and varieties admitted to the APA/ABA may compete for class or overall champions. If a bird's color falls outside the breed standard, it will be entered into an AOV class for the breed.

Reminder: Showmanship attire for poultry exhibitors is now like that of other livestock species. Long pants are required, and they can be denim jeans. Shirts can be any color/design but must have a collar. Lab coats can still be worn, but they must be white, plain, and without pins, patches, or embellishments. Closed-toe

shoes are still required to enter the show arena for showmanship.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Karen at the fair office at 937-456-3748.

Junior Fair Goat

Breeding goat check-in at the fair is mandatory for all breeding goats. It will occur at 7:00 p.m. on Friday before the 8:00 p.m. weigh-ins. Exhibitors will bring their breeding goats to the show ring to be checked in.

All **breeding goats** must have an RFID tag, which exhibitors can purchase at the fair office. The exhibitor must enter the RFID ear tag number for breeding goats in the Fair Entry. It is recommended that the RFID ear tag be placed in the breeding animal's ear, but the tag must accompany the breeding animal at all breeding goat events. RFID ear tags will be available for purchase from the fair office.

Registered Dairy goats must be tattooed, and LaManchas must be tattooed with a number that matches the RFID ear tag. Participants must always have the RFID ear tag during the goat show.

Additional Junior Fair Goat Requirements

Meat Breeding Goats—Junior Exhibitors can enter more than one entry of meat breeding goats. There is no longer a one-entry limit.

If an Exotic or Nigerian weather is entered for the junior fair, it will show together. Each weather will be separated into a class by age. These weathers are non-market weathers and will not be sold at the junior fair livestock sale.

Nonmarket Weather Class (Exotic or Nigerian)

- 1- Non-Market Weather 0-6 months
- 2- Non-Market Weather 6 months to 1 year
- 3- Non-Market Weather over 1 year

Junior Fair Sheep

Breeding Sheep check-in at the fair is mandatory for all Breeding Sheep after the market weigh-in on Friday. Exhibitors will bring their breeding sheep to the show ring to be checked in.

All breeding sheep must have an RFID tag, which can be purchased from the fair office. The RFID ear tag number for the breeding sheep must be entered in Fair Entry by the exhibitor. This RFID ear tag is recommended to be placed in the breeding sheep's ear but must be present with the animal at all sheep show events. RFID ear tags will be available for purchase from the fair office.

A copy of Proof of Registration for Breeding Sheep purebreds must be presented at the Junior Fair Sheep Breeding Fair check-in. Non-registered sheep must have RFID ear tags, be shown in commercial sheep classes, and be weighed in.

Junior Fair Armbands

Advisors: Preble County Junior Fair wristbands are available at the Fair Office during office hours. Advisors must turn in a list of their active members when picking up the wristbands. Please remember that 4-H Cover Buds do not need a wristband.

DUNF Forms

The Preble County Extension office requires all DUNF (digital only- no paper forms) to be submitted to the office no later than Saturday, July 19, 2025. Animals are to be drug-free when entering the fairgrounds. Please work with your veterinarian to maintain a veterinary/client/patient relationship to meet the state guidelines for your production animals. If you cannot meet the required guidelines for DUNF forms, please call the Extension office to discuss your project's exhibition eligibility. If medication is given within the 7 days leading up to the fair, a notification from the exhibitor with

the veterinarian's signature must be dropped off to the Extension Educator for approval. Please remember that medications have withdrawal times, and if those are not met, your animal will not be eligible to be on the grounds unless otherwise approved by the fair vet and extension. Thank you.

CHANGE Skillathon

We have received feedback from folks about the dates we have tried to set for the Skillathon contest. After careful deliberation by the fair office and the PC OSU 4-H Extension Educator, the contest date has changed to Monday, July 21, 2025. Times for the contest are still being ironed out. The contest will take place in the Expo Expansion. There will be no make-up date since the contest is so close to the start of the fair. The format will be like last year. Stations will be set up for each of the species. More information regarding the contest will be provided soon. We encourage all the junior fair participants to take part.

This is an example of the Junior Fair Poultry Verification Form. This form can be found at preblecountyfair.com or at the fair office.

Signature_____

This is an example of a listing of all the available poultry classes. This form can be found in its entirety at preblecountyfair.com

Please use this document as a reference when completing the Junior Fair Poultry Verification Form.

Cock - A male bird one year old and older	
Cockerel - A male bird under one year old	
Hen - A female bird one year old and older	
Pullet - A female bird under one year old	
Division	Class/Breed/Color
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Buckeye
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish - Black
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish - Dark
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish - White
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish - White Laced Red
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish-Blue
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish-Blue Laced Red
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish-Buff
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish-Columbian
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish-Jubilee
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish-Mottled
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish-Silver Laced
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cornish-Spangled
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Crevecoeur
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cubalaya-Black
Bantam	All Other Comb Clean Leg - Cubalaya-Black Breasted Red