

2024 Henry County Junior Fair

VIDEO UPDATE #1

- **The Henry County Senior Fair Board made the decision at the December 2023 meeting to adopt a modified Junior Fair Livestock Schedule for 2024.**
 - o With the construction of the new facility, the Junior Fair Board made the recommendation to the Senior Fair Board to adopt a “Show and Go” plan for the upcoming year.
 - Families would haul in on the day of the show and opt to show off of their trailer OR utilize a limited number of pens/ties that would be available for families unable to show off of the trailer.
 - o While the final location has not been selected, please know Senior Fair Board is working closely with Junior Fair Board to make the decision that will best-suit families.
 - o Please note: the Junior Fair Rabbit, Poultry, and Horse Shows would not be affected in this modification at this time. Their move-in times and shows would be unaffected.
- **As part of this modified schedule, the decision was made for Senior Fair Board and the Livestock Sale Committee to be responsible for securing the dispersal/disposal of the Large Animal Champions ONLY, as well as all market rabbit projects and all market poultry projects.**
 - o Livestock families will be responsible for organizing custom slaughter appointments and/or arranging transport of the animal to a stockyard. This will be for all non-champion large animal market projects (market lambs, market steers, market hogs and market goats) for 2024 ONLY.
 - o The sale would move forward as usual, with Grand & Reserve Champion animals being sold in the ring, and non-champion exhibitors passing through in order to receive their “Premium Sale.”
 - o We would permit Add-Ons for all market exhibitors as we have done in the past, but Senior Fair Board & the Livestock Sale Committee are not responsible for dispersal/disposal of the non-champion animals. Therefore, the market value of these animals would not be a part of the exhibitor’s final check.
 - Junior Fair Board, Senior Fair Board, & Livestock Sale Committee plan to make a list/FAQ document for families to review and reference on who to contact for custom slaughter appointments or what stockyards would be willing to accept animals.
- **This has not been an easy decision for Senior Fair Board or Junior Fair Board. Our cohort has been adamant to prioritize forming a plan NOW so families can make an educated decision moving forward in the purchase of their market animals in 2024.**
 - o Our hope is that some, if not all, of the new facility would be available for us to utilize during the 2024 fair. However, realistically, we want to be preemptive in our plan.
 - Should the new facility be usable for the 2024 Henry County Junior Fair, we plan to maintain this 2024 schedule, within the new facility as well as the “Show and Go” plan.
 - The HCAIA has purchased new pens, cattle panels, arena panels and bleachers for us to utilize in 2024.

We thank you for your understanding in this decision. We are excited for the future of the Henry County Junior Fair and the new livestock facility. We hope our Junior Fair families share our excitement and are willing to be positive in the pursuit of further developing Youth in Agriculture and the surrounding community. ~Morgan Parcher

Henry County Ag Improvement Association (HCAIA) Statement:

“The HCAIA remains dedicated to the successful completion of the new Community Event Center. Although we are disheartened that the facility may not be ready for use during this year's fair, we are certain of its eventual completion. Unforeseen delays have arisen due to the project's complexity and the involvement of numerous entities. We are actively engaged in thorough efforts to guarantee success. Presently, our primary focus is collaborating with the Fair Board to ensure an outstanding summer fair. We are also working diligently with county leadership to secure the project's success and have completed all necessary steps thus far.” (12/20/2023)

**Henry County Fair - 2024
JUNIOR FAIR SCHEDULE**

| Wednesday, August 7, 2024 | | Sunday, August 11, 2024 | |
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| 10:00 AM-6:00 PM | Rabbit and Poultry Move-In | 1:00 PM | Jr. Fair Horse Show - Horse Arena |
| 12:00n-7:00 PM | Market Poultry & Market Rabbit Scales OPEN | Monday, August 12, 2024 | |
| 6:30 PM | 4-H Booths must be in place | 9:00 AM | Jr. Fair Dairy Show - (Location TBD) |
| 6:30 PM | Junior Fair & 4-H Royalty Coronation | 11:00 AM-1:00PM | Market Steer & Feeder Calf Scale Open for Weigh-In |
| 7:30 PM | All Rabbits, Poultry & Horses in place | 1:00 PM | Beef Breeding Show begins - (Location TBD) |
| 8:00 PM | Veterinary Inspection begins in animal areas - Jr Fair exhibitors must be present | 3:00 PM | Beef Market and Showmanship Show begins |
| Thursday, August 8, 2024 | | Tuesday, August 13, 2024 | |
| 8:00 AM | Jr. Fair Poultry Show - SA Arena | 9:00 AM | Jr. Fair Horse Show - Horse Arena |
| 7:00-9:00 AM | Market Hog Scale Open for Weigh-In | | Livestock Judging Event? |
| 10:30 AM | Jr. Fair Swine Show Begins - (Location TBD) | 6:00 PM | Shine in the Showring - (Location: TBD) |
| Friday, August 9, 2024 | | Wednesday, August 14, 2024 | |
| 9:00 AM | Jr. Fair Horse Show - Horse Arena | 9:00 AM | Jr. Fair Horse Show - Horse Arena |
| 9:00 AM | Jr. Fair Rabbit Show - SA Arena | | Kids Day |
| 7:00-9:00 AM | Market Lamb Scale Open for Weigh-In | 6:00 PM | Showman of Showmen - (Location: TBD) |
| 10:00 AM | Jr. Fair Sheep Show Begins - (Location TBD) | Thursday, August 15, 2024 | |
| 8:00-10:30 AM | Market Goat Scale Open for Weigh-In | 9:00 AM | Henry County Junior Fair Livestock Sale - (Location: TBD) |
| 12:00 PM | Jr. Fair Goat Show Begins - (Location TBD) | | |
| Saturday, August 10, 2024 | | | |
| 9:00 AM | Jr. Fair Horse Show - Horse Arena | | |
| 9:00 AM | Jr. Fair Dog Show - (Location TBD) | | |

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