



# Kossuth County Fair

## Kid's Open Class Livestock

Listed below are the fair check-in times for your animal and the approximate show time (check-in times subject to change per department superintendents).

We also ask that you make a poster to hang above your project. **Please create an 8x10 or larger poster** that includes your name, parent's name, town, your animal's name and any other information that you would like fair goers to know. **Be creative!**

With the hot weather, we need to always make sure that the animals have water. Also, always make sure the area around your animal is kept clean. Bring your own food/ water supplies.

During the fair, if you have any questions stop by the Fair Office located at the North Gate of the fairgrounds.

**Be sure to stop by the Algona Publishing Booth in Floral Hall to get your picture taken for the newspaper. Bring your ribbon for the picture!**

Confirm show times with department superintendents prior to show.  
Times are subject to change due to number of entries in each division.



### Rabbits:



**Check-In: Tuesday noon- 8:00pm**

**Show:** Wednesday at 8:00am (following the 4-H show)

**Supplies:** Cages supplied. Bring food/water containers.

### Novice Lambs:



**Check-In: Tuesday 8:00-11:00am**

**Show:** Wednesday following the 4-H Show which begins at 1:00pm.

**Supplies:** Bring bedding and food/water containers.

### Goats:



**Check-In: Tuesday 8:00-11:00am**

**Show:** Wednesday following the 4-H Show which begins at 3:00pm.

**Supplies:** Bring bedding (straw or sawdust) and food/water containers.

### Bucket Calves:



**Check-In: Wednesday 8:00-10:00am**

**Show:** Saturday following the 4-H Show which begins at 9:00am

**Supplies:** Bedding supplied by the Kossuth County Cattlemen. Bring food/water supplies. Bucket calves will be in the Sheep Barn.

### Poultry:



**Check-In: Monday 5:00-7:00pm**

**Show:** Wednesday at 1:00pm

**Supplies:** Cages supplied. Bring saw dust for below cages and food/water containers.

### Pets:



**Check-In: 15 minutes before the show**

**Show:** Thursday following the 4-H Show which begins at 2:00pm.

Open Class Entries are submitted through the online **FairEntry** website.

Go to <http://kossuthcounty.fairentry.com>. Please see the help sheet at [www.kossuthcountyfair.com](http://www.kossuthcountyfair.com).

**Open Class Livestock signup opens June 1<sup>st</sup>. All entries are due July 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Please call 515-341-2289 if you have any questions. We will be happy to help in any way we can!

**ALL LIVESTOCK ARE AVAILABLE TO BE RELEASED AFTER MIDNIGHT SUNDAY (12:00AM). PLEASE HAVE YOUR SPACE CLEANED AND ALL ANIMALS LOADED BY 10AM ON SUNDAY SO BARNES CAN BE CLEANED.**

Thank you for being part of the Kossuth County Fair!



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For Kids 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade & Younger

### General Rules:

- The Open Class Livestock Shows are a way for younger exhibitors to be a part of and participate in the fair as the 4-H members do (4<sup>th</sup> grade & up).
- Judging for Open Class Exhibitors will be based on how well the exhibitor knows their project and what they have learned about caring for and raising their animal. This is the young exhibitor's project and the exhibitor MUST feel comfortable caring for and showing their project at the fair.
- All projects will receive a ribbon but will not be included in the 4-H Ribbon Premium Program.
- All animals must be in good health. Any evidence of any contagious or infectious condition will eliminate the animal from the show.
- Animals are expected to be cared for daily. With the hot weather, we need to make sure that the animals always have water. Also, always make sure the area around your project is kept clean. Bring your own food/ water and bedding supplies. No straw or hay bedding is allowed. The Kossuth County Cattlemen will provide a base bedding for the beef barns.
- The exhibitor is responsible for making their own entry poster to display above their project. Include the exhibitors name, town, and projects name. It may also include parent's name, a picture of the exhibitor with their project, or any information about the project you would like the fair-goers to know.... Be creative!
- All entries must be submitted by using the FairEntry online by July 15<sup>th</sup>.
- **\*Continued from 2023!\* All animals must check-in at their appropriate check-in times!**
- **Lambs/bottle lambs, goats, and bucket calves will be required to be veterinary health checked in the Algona High parking lot before unloading and entering the barns on the fair grounds.**
- **Mandatory exhibitor meeting Tuesday at 12:00 PM in the Show barn to go over expectations.**

### Bucket Calves:

Must be born from March 15 to May 14 of this year.

Must be either bottle or bucket fed.

Must be halter broke.

Exhibitors (without disabilities) needing assistance leading their calf in the ring will not be eligible for Champion Awards.

No clipping is permitted on these projects.

Class will be determined by exhibitor's age, not weight of animal.

Calf must be ear tagged.

**\*NEW\*** Costume Class:

Judging will be based on:

- Presentation- Exhibitor will create a costume for both exhibitor and calf to wear
- Creativity of costume
- Technique- How well exhibitor controls their calf wearing a costume

### Rabbits:

Classes will be determined by number of entries.

Any breed, sex, or age can be exhibited.

## Goats:

Must be born by June 15<sup>th</sup> of the current year.  
Any breed, sex, or age can be exhibited.  
No clipping or dehorning is required.  
Goats must be ear tagged.

## Poultry:

Any type of poultry may be entered.  
Pullorum testing will be completed at check-in. (Do not put into cage until testing is complete.)  
All exhibitors must supply their own bedding.  
Pens and area must be cleaned daily and left clean at end of fair.

## Pets:

Pets must be born before May 15 of the current year.  
Pets will not be housed at the fairgrounds. They will be judged and released following the show.  
All cats and dogs must have a current rabies vaccination certificate.  
All pets must be of good health.  
Pets must be on a leash, in a cage, or container.  
Pets will be judged on nutrition, health, behavior and handling, grooming, and member's knowledge of their pet.  
This entry cannot be exhibited in any other show at the current fair.

## Novice Lambs:

All lambs must be tagged with a USDA Scrapie Tag – Enter this tag  
Lambs must be under 1 year of age and must have been born by June 15<sup>th</sup> of the current year  
Lambs may or may not be bottle fed. Bottle fed lambs must be weaned off the bottle before the fair  
Classes will be split by exhibitor age at the discretion of the Superintendent  
Each exhibitor may enter up to two lambs. If an exhibitor chooses to bring two lambs, the second lamb can either be shown by a substitute showman (3<sup>rd</sup> grade or younger) or may be put into a different age group. If the exhibitor moves up to an older age group there will be no penalty. If they choose to move down an age division, they will not be eligible for 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in class. A separate class for double entries may be provided at the Superintendent's discretion.  
Entries will be placed by judge's discretion based on: quality of lamb, showmanship, and knowledge of the project.  
Families will need to be penned together – possible with older 4-H siblings depending on entry numbers.  
Limit of 1 fan per pen  
Lambs may be fit however the exhibitor chooses; however fitting is not part of the evaluation.  
All lambs must be halter broke and shown at halter.  
Lamb must be free of any contagious or infectious disease.  
Lamb must be shorn within one week of show.