



## **Handbook**

**2024**

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# **General Information**

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### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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## **Ticket Prices**

General Admission Tickets

\$5.00 for adults (5 and over)

Free kids (4 and under)

Monday is Veterans Appreciation Night – all active/non active or retired Veterans with valid ID get in free

Thursday is Senior Citizen Night – all seniors above the age of 64 get in free.

## **Armbands on Midway every night**

Monday- Friday \$20

Saturday Matinee \$18 – from noon til 4 p.m. – Midway closes from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday night \$20

# Schedule

Fair Week is Monday through Saturday,  
October 14 – 19, 2024

## **Thursday, October 10**

Walton County School Art starts set up.

Booths start set up.

## **Friday, October 11**

School Art

Booths set up

## **Saturday, October 12 from 9 AM -1 PM**

All entries for Creative Living Department, Agriculture and Home Arts Department, and Youth Activities.

## **Sunday, October 13**

11:30 am – 1:00 pm – Creative Living Department, Agriculture and Home Arts Department, and Youth Activities

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM Poultry and Rabbits Enter

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM Baking Contest Entries

6:00 PM – Baked Goods Contest Judging Begins

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM Hogs Enter

4:00 PM – Judging begins for Poultry and Rabbit Exhibit

## **Monday, October 14**

8:00 AM – Judges Breakfast

9:00 AM – Judging begins for Creative Living Department, Youth Activities Department, and Community Booths.

1:00 PM – Ribbon cutting celebrating 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

5:00 PM – Gates Open

5:00 PM – Military Appreciation Night

6:00 PM – Barn Dedication - Arena

6:00 PM – Kera Howell on stage in Main Room

9:00 PM – Gates Close

**Tuesday, October 15**

5:00 PM – Gates Open

5:30 PM – Elementary School Choirs on stage in Main Room

6:00 PM – Lora Lane on stage in Main Room

6:00 PM – Youth Hog Show Begins

9:00 PM – Gates Close

**Wednesday, October 16**

5:00 PM – Gates Open

5:30 PM – Elementary School Choirs on stage in Main Room

6:00 PM – Andy Avery on stage in Main Room

6:00 PM – Youth Rabbit and Poultry Showmanship Begins

9:00 PM – Gates Close

**Thursday, October 17**

5:00 PM – Gates Open

6:00 PM – Hog Buyer’s Dinner at Extension Office

6:00 PM – Think Pink – Walton County Health Department  
with Cancer Freeze

7:00 PM – Hog Auction

9:00 PM – Gates Close

**Friday, October 18**

5:00 PM – Gates Open

6:00 PM – Youth Horse Show

6:00 PM – Pickle Jar Band on stage in Main Room

9:30 PM – Gates Close

**Saturday, October 19**

12:00 PM – Noon Gates Open

1:00 PM – Youth Beef Show

2:00 P.M – Dedication of Commercial Wing

4:00 PM – Midway Shuts Down for State mandated  
inspection (armbands expire)

6:00 PM – Midway Resumes (new armbands must be  
purchased)

6:00 PM – Maddox Davidson on stage in Main Room

7:00 PM – Brant McCollough on stage in Main Room

7:00 PM – New Heights Wrestling in Arena additional charge  
to attend

9:30 PM – Gates Close



**Sunday, October 20**

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Entry Pick ups for Poultry and Rabbits in barn.

Entry Pick ups for Creative Living and Agriculture and Home Arts Departments in the building.

**Monday, October 21**

Building Gets Cleaned up

**GENERAL RULES**

- All livestock entered into the Walton County Fair are subject to all applicable Federal, State, Local and Provincial statutes, regulations, ordinances, and rules pertaining to food chain safety. Livestock entered are subject to any and all random tests.
- Unless specified under the division, there will be a limit of one entry per person per class.
- All items entered for competition must have been made or grown this year, except for livestock.
- Division entries will be first given to Walton County residents and members of Walton County clubs first. Divisions will then be opened to entries from surrounding counties.
- All premiums and cash awards may be picked up from Division Chairpersons when your item is retrieved.
- Early removal of any item WILL FORFEIT CASH AWARD.
- If income for the Walton County Fair is affected adversely by weather or other factors making it

impossible to pay the cash awards listed, all monies will be reduced by the same proportion.

- The Walton County Fair is not responsible for loss or damage to items at the Fair. Every effort will be made to protect items.
- Entry time for all non-livestock items is the Saturday before the Fair opens from 9 AM – 4 PM.
- EXCEPTION: Baked Goods will be accepted on Sunday before the Fair opens, from 1-4 PM, with judging to follow at 4:30 PM
- Entry time for all other livestock is the day of show; check rules for times.
- Entries must be made at the Walton County Fairgrounds. No entry will be accepted or returned via US Mail.
- Senior Citizens are those age 64 and over.
- Pick up for all items is Sunday, 1 PM – 4 PM. Unless prior arrangements are made. be picked up by 4 PM on Sunday. Entries removed prior to Sunday, or not picked up by the designated times will be disposed of, and all premium ribbons and cash awards will be forfeited.
- All decisions by the judges in any given division are final.
- A judge may disqualify any exhibit that is deemed inferior to the standards of the Walton County Fair.
- A Health Certificate must accompany all horses, sheep, goats, cattle, and swine.
- Horses must have a negative Coggins test. There is no exception to this rule.
- Smoking is not allowed on the Walton County Fairgrounds
- Anyone found vandalizing the bathroom(s) will be asked to leave the property immediately. The extent

of the vandalism will dictate if charges or restitution is pursued.

- Security is paramount. Anyone who poses a security risk will be asked to leave the property immediately.
- Alcohol and glass bottles are not allowed on the Walton County Fairgrounds.
- Objectionable attire is prohibited. Anyone wearing revealing clothing or clothing with vulgar sayings or curse words will be asked to leave.
- Lost and found will be located in the Walton County Fair Office.
- Any children separated from their parents should go to the front gate entry area or either door to the main building to get help. Volunteers will be in those areas at all times.
- Ticket booth operators on the Fair Midway have communication devices and this would be a good area for lost family members to find each other as well.
- The Walton County Fair is a family friendly establishment. Anyone found conducting themselves in a manner contrary to this will be asked to leave immediately.
- Halloween style masks or props are prohibited.

## Fine Art

### **Purpose:**

To create a major point of culture and aesthetics at the Walton County Fair by drawing from talent throughout Walton County and the two sponsors: The Walton County Art League and the Chautauqua Porcelain Artists.

### **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM- 4 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

### **Fine Art Division Rules:**

- All art must have the artist's name, address, and phone number on the back of the artwork.
- Each artist may submit a total of 5 paintings for judging. Any painting over this limit may be accepted on a space-available basis but will be placed in a separate category that will not be judged.
- Each work of art will be screened before acceptance for the following:
  - The entering exhibitor must have created the work.
  - No nude figures or inappropriate paintings will be accepted.
  - Paintings that have been accepted in prior years will not be accepted.
  - Pictures MUST fit on the hanging space (framed art may not exceed 36 inches in width).
  - Pictures must be properly framed, wired, and ready to hang.

- Paintings must be dry; media that is still wet will be refused.
- Participants will remain with their art pieces until they have been properly logged and tagged.
- Should there be insufficient artists (at least 3) entering a category, entries will be shown but not judged, or subcategories will be eliminated and judged under media alone.
- Works entered should be completed within the last two years and not have been entered in the Walton County Fair previously.
- Judging will be based on creativity, principles of design, and technical excellence.
- A maximum of five entries per participant is allowed.
- Decisions of the judges are final.
- Fine Art entries will be accepted by all media. Artists will fall in one of three classifications: Amateur, Professional (artists earning a major part of the income from sales or those who teach art privately or in schools), and Youth Art.

# Handicrafts

## **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM

Sunday, October 13, 2024, 11:30 AM – 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

## **Handicraft Division Rules:**

- Youth must be as "school-age" K-12 grades and not have completed high school.
- Limit one item per person per sub-class for judging. You may enter as many items for display at the discretion of the Division Chairperson.
- Handicraft articles must have been made by the exhibitor and completed within the previous year.
- Items cannot have been entered previously.
- All exhibits must be clean.
- Special consideration will be given for Senior Citizens and physically challenged persons if the challenge is considered to affect the abilities of the exhibitor.
- Sub-divisions with fewer than three entries will be combined with others. The Fair Association may combine classes at their discretion.
- Any item removed early from the exhibition will forfeit any premiums.
- Any entry deemed vulgar or inappropriately suggestive will not be accepted.
- All decisions of the judges are final.
- Youth Crafts that need assistance with power tools consideration will be given.

**Classes:**

**Hobbies**

Wreath, Hand painted items, Jewelry, Leatherwork, Handmade Dolls /Woven Dolls, Basket Work, Plastic Canvas, Woodworking, Musical Instruments/Windchimes, Scrapbooking, Poetry, Latch Hook, Head Accessories, & Other Items.

**Crocheted Items**

Afghans, Baby Clothes, Bedspreads, Doilies/Scarves, Edgings/Insertions, Tablecloths, Other Items.

**Embellished Garments**

Sweatshirts, T-Shirts, Vests, Other Items

**Hand Stitchery**

Applique, Counted Cross Stitch, Embroidery, Needlepoint, Quilt Tops, Bed Quilts, Smocking, Tatting, Other Items.

**Knitting**

Afghans, Baby Clothes, Dresses/Suits, Sweaters, Other Items

**Machine Stitchery**

Applique, Embroidery, Bed Quilts, Quilt Tops, Wall Hangings, Household items, Other Items

**Youth Crafts**

Painted Items, Plaster Crafts, Jewelry, Woodwork, Embroidery/Crocheting, Sewing Crafts, String Art, Clay Dough, Scrapbooking, K'Nex and Lego Construction, Baskets, Weaving, Decoupage, and Other Items.

**Youth K'Nex and Lego Structures**

K'Nex and Lego structures are limited to 14" X 14" X 14"

- Structures must be secured to a sturdy surface.
- No Kits, please, original work only.
- Space is limited, so only the first ten entries will be accepted.

# Photography

## **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, Honorable Mention, and Participation.

Exhibits not picked up by 4:00 PM, Sunday, October 20, 2024, will be discarded. Items picked up early will forfeit premiums.

## **Photography Division Rules:**

- Reasonable security measures will be provided, but the Fair Association cannot be responsible for loss or damages to entries.
- Amateurs\* only are eligible to enter—no age limitation. ("Amateur" refers to anyone who does not charge **any** fee for their photography services, even if photography is not their primary career.)
- The exhibitor must have taken each photograph.
- The exhibitor is limited to five photographs (regardless of category); none of the five photographs may have been previously entered.
- Photos must be mounted (glued) to cardboard, foam board, or matted. **NO FRAMED PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Put the exhibitor's name, address, and telephone number on the back of each entry.
- Walton County Fair Photography Chairpersons will hang all entries using pre-mounted clips and wires. Please do not include any form of hanging hardware, glue, or tape on the back of the piece.



- The total photo size must be either 5 x 7 inches or 8 x 10 inches. No other sizes will be accepted.
- A class must have at least four entries for the class to be judged. If not, then classes may be combined.
- No collages will be accepted, including multiple-photography displays, regardless of whether or not they are on the same mat or board. Only single photographs will be accepted.
- Pictures deemed controversial because of moral, religious, or political matter will be judged but not displayed.
- Judges' decisions are final.

**Classes:**

- Nature (plants, insects, bodies of water, sunsets/sunrises, landforms, etc.)
- Human Interest (un-posed, snapshot-style photos of human subjects)
- Sports (any sporting event or athletic action shot)
- Portrait (intentionally posed photos of human subjects)
- Black and White
- Animals
- Youth Division (16 & under)

# Porcelain

## **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

## **Porcelain Division General Rules:**

- Work must be the exhibiting artist's own work, not that of a teacher or instructor (no seminar pieces).
- Work must have never been exhibited in this Fair before.
- Pieces must have been completed in the last two years.
- Study pieces are acceptable, but decals are not allowed.
- Pieces are screened for criteria at intake, and the final decision to allow/disallow pieces to be exhibited is made by the division chair.
- Categories will be divided into bisque and glazed if sufficient entries are received. If there are not enough entries to have two categories, the bisque will be judged with glazed pieces in the subcategory in which it can be placed. A minimum of three per class category is required for judging. Pieces may be grouped differently to accommodate judging criteria.
- Pieces may be entered as sets (e.g., tea, chocolate, and coffee services, or other serving sets) or as individual pieces (single items or pieces from a set). Jewelry may be included with a subcategory if

identifiable as a specialty item (e.g., enameling or luster).

Categories will be subdivided stylistically. Styles will be placed in the following categories:

- Naturalistic
- Dresden
- Pen Work
- Enamel and Raised Paste
- Luster work

**Categories:**

Within categories, pieces may be divided into the subject matter. Subjects available for selection will be:

- Portrait or human interest
- Animals
- Landscapes or seascapes
- Miniatures
- Floral
- Roses
- Christmas or other holiday themes
- Miscellaneous

Categories may be arranged to not exclude an exhibitor's work from judging. Decisions of the judge are final.

# Pottery

## **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM

Sunday, October 12, 2024, 11:30 AM – 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

## **Pottery Division Rules:**

- Exhibits accepted include original hand-formed or wheel-thrown pottery.
- Entries are limited to 5 per exhibitor. For two-part entries (ex. salt and pepper shakers), note on exhibit.
- Entries must not have been previously entered at the Walton County Fair.
- The name, address, and phone number should be attached to the entry.
- Do not submit entries that are chipped or broken.
- Entries are to be the sole work of the exhibitor.
- A class with less than three exhibitors will be judged as miscellaneous.
- Youth are encouraged to participate.

## **Categories:**

- Hand-Formed pottery
- Vessel
- Art objects
- Sculpture
- Miscellaneous
- Wheel-Thrown pottery
- Youth Pottery

# Baked Goods

## **Schedule:**

Entry time: Sunday, October 13, 2024, 1 - 4 PM

Judging at 6:00 PM

Entries will be auctioned Monday, October 14, 2024, at 6:00 PM in the Main Room of the Fair Building to raise funds for the Walton County Fair.

## **Ribbons:**

Best in Show - Rosette and prize or gift certificate from a local business

Blue Award - Blue Ribbon and prize or gift certificate from a local business

Red Award - Red Ribbon and prize or gift certificate from a local business

White Award -White ribbon and premium paid

Participation - ribbons awarded

## **Baked Goods Division Rules:**

- Baked goods, limit one entry in each division.
- All entries must have the entrant's name and phone number on the bottom of the plate or pan, so it is not showing to the public.
- All entries must be made from scratch no purchased crusts, mixes, or icings.
- Canned fillings are not allowed. The entering exhibitor should be the one who made the baked goods.
- Walton County Fair will not provide refrigeration.
- Broken cookies are not accepted.

- All baked goods should be on or in a disposable container as they will be auctioned off Monday night.
- Items submitted must be of sufficient quantity for judging, auction, and display. (i.e., a minimum of 1-12 individual servings; pies and cakes must be intact; minimum of 2 dozen cookies)

### **Classes:**

- Sweet Bread - Includes all types of sweetbreads: cinnamon rolls, dessert breads, coffee cake, etc. You may enter loaf or rolls. These will be judged on crust, taste, texture, and overall appearance.
- Pies - These will be combined into a single category but judged according to the rules listed under the types of pies below.
- Fruit Pies (single or double crust) - Must contain pieces of fruit that have been home-canned or fresh judged on crust, taste, texture, and overall appearance. The upper crust may be decorative.
- Custard and Non-Fruit Pies - Including pumpkin, pecan, buttermilk, key lime.
- Breads - Including yeast, sourdough, wheat, rye, French, biscuits and cornbread, and any other non-sweet bread. You may enter loaf or rolls. These will be judged on crust, taste, texture, and overall appearance.
- Cookies - Must provide at least two dozen cookies.
- Brownies and Bar Cookies - Entries judged on uniformity in size, color, texture, and overall taste.
- Cakes - Single or multiple layers including split and filled, chiffon (angel), and pound. Cakes will be judged on appearance, taste, texture, and uniformity. This category is not a decorating contest.

- Youth - All baked goods from participants, 14 years of age and younger.
- Miscellaneous (i.e., candy, bread pudding, biscotti, etc.)

## Professional Category

### **Purpose:**

Professional Category (defined as those who have fine arts degrees or those without a degree but who teach art/painting.) Professionals may enter their work in the Fair in the professional grouping but may not compete with their students. E.g., if you are an instructor in watercolor, acrylics, oils, you may enter your artworks in those media in the professional category. If you are a certified teacher for schools, you may enter your artwork in the professional category. Categories and judging criteria will be the same as applied to the amateur categories and Walton County Scenes. Professionals may enter the Walton County Scenes should they desire.

### **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM  
Sunday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM – 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and

### **Professional Category Rules:**

- All art must have the artist's name, address, and phone number on the back of the artwork.
- Each artist may submit a total of 5 paintings for judging. Any painting over this limit may be accepted on a space-available basis but will be placed in a separate category that will not be judged.
- Each work of art will be screened before acceptance for the following:
- The entering exhibitor must have created the work.



- No nude figures or inappropriate paintings will be accepted.
- Paintings that have been accepted in prior years will not be accepted.
- Pictures MUST fit on the hanging space (framed art may not exceed 36 inches in width).
- Pictures must be properly framed, wired, and ready to hang.
- Paintings must be dry; media that is still wet will be refused.
- Participants will remain with their art pieces until they have been properly logged and tagged.
- Should there be insufficient artists (a least 3) entering a category, entries will be shown but not judged, or subcategories will be eliminated and judged under media alone.
- Works entered should be completed within the last two years and not have been entered in the Walton County Fair previously.
- Judging will be based on creativity, principles of design, and technical excellence.
- A maximum of five entries per participant is allowed.
- Decisions of the judges are final.
- Fine Art entries will be accepted by all media. Artists will fall in one of three classifications: Amateur, Professional (artists earning a major part of the income from sales or those who teach art privately or in schools), and Youth.

## **Purchase Award for Walton County Scenes**

The Walton Co Art League sponsors the Purchase Award for the Walton County Fair. The Art League will purchase a painting from a local artist. Paintings from previous years are on display at the DeFuniak Springs City Hall. If you are interested in entering that category, entry rules are found online in the Fine Art category at [www.waltoncountyfair.com](http://www.waltoncountyfair.com). In addition, the following also apply:

- The scene must be a recognizable Walton County scene (even if the site is gone, you may submit a painting done from a photo).
- The art must be a painting: oil, acrylics, watercolor, pastel, or mixed media are acceptable (photos are not accepted in the Fine Art category).
- The winning painting is considered a purchased painting, and the owner surrenders all rights to the painting. The WCAL will hang the painting for display in a local county/city office.
- The painting must be framed and ready to hang (gallery-wrapped canvases, which are those with sides 1 1/2 inches deep or more, need not be framed if the sides are also painted. Gallery wraps without the wraps (sides) painted will not be judged for purchase).
- The painting must have been done within the last year.
- There will be only one purchase award in either of two different size categories:
- A painting with a picture size up to 11 x 14 inches or 154 square inches, if selected, would be purchased

for \$100, or any larger painting will be awarded \$200.

- The award is an actual purchase, and the artist must surrender the painting to the Walton County Art League upon acceptance.

**Media Type:**

- Oils
- Acrylics
- Water Color
- Pastels
- Pen & Ink, Pencil, Charcoal, Colored Pencil, Conte Crayon
- Computer-generated
- Mixed Media

# Farm Goods

## **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM

Sunday, October 12, 2024, 11:30 AM – 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

## **Farm Goods Division Rules:**

- There is a limit of one entry per variety per person in each class. They should have the variety name on the front or lid of the jar.
- All items should be marked with the exhibitor's name, address, and phone number but not showing to the public.
- Produce items must have been grown by the exhibitor within the previous year.
- All exhibits must be high quality, clean, and free from insect damage.
- Items must be marketable.

## **Entry Examples:**

- Three stalks cane topped and tied
- Five ears of corn, potatoes, sweet potatoes, etc.
- 1/2 dozen eggs (in carton)
- One-quart dried, shelled beans, peas, corn, peanuts, etc., in a jar.
- One pumpkin, watermelon, a stalk of cotton, a bale of hay, etc.
- 1/2-pint small seeds (flowers, okra, etc.) in a glass jar

**Classes:**

- Garden vegetables - cucumbers, cabbage, broccoli, etc.
- Field Crops - cotton, corn, potatoes, peanuts, etc.
- Peppers - all varieties
- Fruits - pears, apples, etc.
- Persimmons - all varieties
- Pumpkins/Squash - all varieties
- Eggs - all varieties
- Seeds - fruit, vegetable, flowers
- Nuts - pecans, chestnuts, walnuts, etc.
- Pepper sauce
- Honey
- Hay
- Soap
- candles
- Misc.: cane syrup, cane juice, etc.

# Dried Goods

## **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM

Sunday, October 12, 2024, 11:30 AM – 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

## **Dried Goods Division Rules:**

- Dried & vacuum-packed foods - one entry per type/style of fruit, vegetable, and type of jerky. May enter dried herbs, soup mix, or other dried items. Be creative.
- Trail mix is also acceptable.
- Dried foods should be displayed in plastic zipper-type bags, sandwich sizes, or clear containers.
- Vacuum sealed items should be in appropriate clear containers. (Items must be seen to be judged)
- Whole slices rather than pieces make the best presentation. Exception: items intended to be small pieces - trail mix, etc.
- Entry should have a minimum of 6 slices of fruit, vegetable, or jerky per bag, 1/2 cup trail mix.
- Items must be dried or vacuum-sealed by the entrant.
- The name, address, and phone number of the entrant should be on the bottom of the container or back of the bag.
- Items will be judged on appearance, uniformity of slices, color, visual texture, etc. These are show items, not to be tasted.

**Classes:**

- Meats
- Vegetables
- Fruit
- Herbs / Spices
- Miscellaneous

# Canned Goods

## **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM

Sunday, October 12, 2024, 11:30 AM – 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

## **Canned Goods Division Rules:**

- One entry per type, such as peas, grape jelly, apple jelly, etc. All foods should be processed according to the USDA Guidelines.
- 4-H club members who are bonafide members with an approved leader will show in a separate division but under the same rules.
- Jars should be in a standard canning jar.
- Jars should be appropriately sealed with new lids and no rings on tops.
- Jars should be clean inside and outside.
- Jars should be filled according to USDA guidelines.
- These are show items not to be tested.
- No artificial coloring can be added unless required by recipes
- Liquids in vegetables and fruits must cover them and be clear.
- Vegetables must be cut in uniform pieces, yet not packed tightly or loosely (not floating in liquids).
- Stems should be removed (figs may retain stems)
- Vegetables should not be overcooked.



- Jellies and jams are checked for color. They should be as clear as possible, free from air bubbles, and to the top of the jar.
- Items must have been canned within the last 12 months.

**Classes:**

- Jams
- Jellies
- Preserves
- Butters
- Pickled items
- Relishes - chutney, chow-chow, etc.
- Tomatoes
- Fruits
- Vegetables
- Green Beans
- Meats
- Soups
- Sauces
- Salsas
- Miscellaneous
- Youth 12 & under

# Potted Plants

## Schedule:

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM

Sunday, October 12, 2024, 11:30 AM – 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

## Potted Plant Division Rules:

- Three (3) plants in each class will be accepted per person.
- Each plant will be labeled with the exhibitor's name, address, phone number, and plant name upon entry.
- Please enter your very best, well-cared-for plants in clean pots or containers. Diseased or infested plants will not be accepted.
- Exhibitors must have possession of their plants for a minimum of three (3) months.
- All plants will be blind judged and on their merit.
- Classes with less than three entries may be combined at the Chairperson's discretion.
- Judges' decisions are final.
- Reasonable security measures will be provided, but the Fair Association cannot be responsible for loss or damages to entries.

## Classes:

- African Violets
- Flowering
- Foliage
- Hanging Containers
- Cactus and Succulent

- Ferns
- Dish Gardens
- Miscellaneous

# Youth Art

## **Purpose**

To encourage youth to expand their education through art.  
Youth must be between the ages of 6-18.

## **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

## **Youth Art Division Rules:**

- All art must have the artist's name, address, and phone number on the back of the artwork.
- A maximum of 5 entries per artist will be accepted
- Entries must be either framed or matted and attached to foam board, and ready to hang
- All Rules in the Fine Art Division apply

## Educational Posters

### **Purpose:**

The Educational Posters Fair Contest aims to promote learning, creativity, and communication skills among youth. Through the creation and display of educational posters, youth are encouraged to explore and present topics related to Florida agriculture. Topics may include any agriculture area from citrus production, sugarcane farming, aquaculture, beef cattle ranching, strawberry farming, tropical fruit cultivation, vegetable production, floriculture, and sustainable farming practices, just to name a few.

### **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Wednesday, October 9, 2024, 9 AM- 4 PM

Place: Walton County Extension Office next to the Fairgrounds

Contact: 850.892.8172

Release Time: Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, and Participation.

- **Blue Ribbon:** Superior quality, meeting high standards of excellence (90-100 points).
- **Red Ribbon:** Very good quality, showing significant effort (80-89 points).
- **White Ribbon:** Good quality, demonstrating basic understanding (70-79 points).
- **Participation Ribbon:** All other entries, recognizing effort and participation (below 70 points and for those youth, ages 5-7).

**Premiums:** Monetary premiums are awarded based on the ribbon placement.

**Best In Show:** From the Blue Ribbon posters, one Best In Show is selected.

**Educational Poster Division Rules:**

- This contest is open to Walton County youth, ages 5-18 (age as of September 1, 2024).
- Youth ages 5-18 (age as of September 1, 2024) may enter **ONLY** one poster per participant.
- Poster must be done on 11 x 14 poster board or a half a sheet of regular poster board.
- The poster must be on a subject related to Florida Agriculture.
- The posters may be on ANY subject relating to Florida Agriculture, from livestock to crops.
- The posters should focus on one area and educate the reader about the process or benefit of that aspect of Agriculture. Be creative!
- Name, address, age of contestant must be clearly printed on back of poster in the top right corner. Posters will be disqualified if labeled improperly.

**Age Divisions**

**Division I** - Youth ages 5 to 7 years old (age as of September 1, 2024)

**Division II** - Youth ages 8 to 10 years old (age as of September 1, 2024)

**Division III** - Youth ages 11 to 13 years old (age as of September 1, 2024)

**Division IV** - Youth ages 14 to 18 years old (age as of September 1, 2024)

\* Youth between the ages of 5-7 (Division I) will receive participation ribbons **ONLY**

**Poster Appearance:**

Well planned, good visual for the topic (10 points)

Interesting design and colors (10 points)

Neat and well-constructed (10 points)

Name, age, and address printed on the back (5 points)

**Judging Criteria:**

Judging will be based on the following:

- Name, age, and address clearly printed on back (5 points)
- Well planned, good visual for topic (10 points)
- Interesting design and colors (10 points)
- Neat and well-constructed (10 points)
- Attracts attention, encourages interest (25 points)
- Original Creative Design (25 points)
- Descriptive statement matches visual theme and conveys a clear message (15 points).

# Youth Pumpkin Decorating

## Schedule:

Entry Time: Saturday, October 12, 2024, 9 AM - 1 PM

Sunday, October 12, 2024, 11:30 AM – 1 PM

Release Time: Sunday, October 13, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, and Participation.

## Pumpkin Decorating Division Classes:

Pre-School, Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>.

## Youth Pumpkin Decorating Division Rules:

- No carving or puncturing pumpkins as it leads to rapid deterioration. Pumpkins that are punctured or carved will not be allowed entry into the Fair.
- Use sound pumpkins only. The Chairperson will remove all spoiled/deteriorated pumpkins.
- Items picked up early will forfeit premiums.
- Judges will not award a prize to an exhibit, which, in their determination, was not done solely by the child.
- Exhibit area for each pumpkin is limited so please keep display below 20" by 20" by 14".
- All pumpkins must have the artist's name, address, date of birth, and phone number on the back of the entry tag.
- A maximum of 1 entry per artist will be accepted.

## Judging Criteria will be as follows:

- Quality of Workmanship...30%
- General Appearance.....25%
- The originality of design.....25%
- Theme.....20%



## **Walton County Schools Elementary Chorus Groups**

### **Chorus Night Rules:**

- All performers will be supervised at all times by Walton County teachers and DeFuniak Springs Police Department. Kids performing are allowed free entry into the building. A designated meeting area will be set up for the kids to wait for their group and meet their choral director. Once the kids are in the designated meeting area they are not allowed to leave until their teacher allows them to or checks them off.
- All parents, guardians, grandparents, and siblings must pay entry into the building

# Walton County Schools Art Exhibition

## **Schedule:**

Entry Time: Determined by the schools

Release Time: Sunday, October 13, 2024, 1 PM- 4 PM

## **Awards:**

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, and Participation.

## **Walton County School Art Rules:**

- Exhibitor must be a resident of Walton County attending public, private, or home school in grades Kindergarten-twelfth grade.
- Only individual works will be accepted. Group work is not accepted.
- Artwork must be original and have been completed in the current school year. Computer or CAD work must be clearly annotated as such; otherwise, art must be originals.
- Home-schooled children's entries must have the student's name, age, grade, and instructor's information (name/address/phone # for contact) on them. Individual instructors are responsible for providing the students' artwork, but public school teachers may display it for home-schooled children as long as the artwork is clearly marked as belonging to a home-schooled student. If the home-schooled student attends a public school art class, the work will be exhibited with other public school students' art.
- Private schools may submit works by their students adhering to the public school rules. I.e., a complete

list of entries including name (first and last), age, grade, and contact information for the individual responsible for hanging, collecting, and answering questions regarding exhibits or prizes awarded.

**Walton County Schools Art Division Rules:**

- Only one entry per child. A child may also enter in Youth Art division but may not use the same artwork for both school and Youth Art sections. Youth Art entries MUST adhere to Fine Art rules and regulations.
- Each piece will be mounted on a single piece of construction or other solid-colored paper for affixing to display. Pieces may be matted but not framed. Framed entries may be entered in Youth Art. The bottom right corner of the paper should have the student's grade prominently marked with a permanent marker or a color-coded dot. **USE ONLY ONE COLOR PER GRADE. DO NOT MIX GRADES.**
- Teachers will group students by grade within their respective schools. Please try to keep grades in consecutive order when mounting exhibits to the display boards. Each grade will be displayed on only **ONE SIDE** of the display board (e.g., put first grade all on one side and another grade on the backside.)
- Each entry will have the child's **FULL** name, grade, and school so that pieces that should become detached can be returned to the correct instructor/entrant. Failure to provide an entrant's full name may result in delayed or non-issuance of checks for monetary prize awards.
- Schools that do not have more than three students per grade will group students for judging in the following manner: Kindergarten through 5th, 6th

through 9th, and 10th -12th. If an insufficient student's population is present for that grouping, students will be grouped: Kindergarten through 5th and 6th through 12th.

- A printed and electronic list of entries must be provided to the Walton County Fair. The list must have the teacher's name, school, and a phone number for contact, as well as an email address. The entries should be sorted by grade and, within-grade, alphabetically by last name. A computer-generated list may be emailed to Janis Hannon at [JanHannon@hotmail.com](mailto:JanHannon@hotmail.com) (Xcel is preferred), but a printed list must be provided when the artwork is dropped/hung. The computer lists will aid judges in marking entries for ribbons/prizes and publication. If a parent has an objection to displaying the student's information, please let the coordinators know, but information MUST be provided to fair officials for participation and prize awards.
- Teachers are responsible for setting up the displays and for disassembling displays at the end of the Fair. Displays must be in place no later than 4:00 PM on the Saturday preceding the fair start date. This includes home-schooled students' exhibits as well as private schools' students.
- Teachers are responsible for selecting a first, second, and third prize from each of their grades. The list provided to fair officials must clearly annotate which entries are selected for each grade and have the child's information available. The list should also contain a full list of all entries, whether awarded prizes or not. Honorable mentions can be selected at the teacher's discretion. There will ONLY be a first, second, third prize for each grade (e.g., if there

are five first grade classes within a school, there will be one first, one second, one third premium award in first grade selected from combined classes).

- Displays must remain in place throughout the entire fair period. Displays will not be removed before 9:00 PM the final night and will be removed no later than 4:00 PM on Sunday after the Fair ends.

# Youth Poultry Showmanship

**Mykayla Brown – 850-209-0425 - Chairperson**

## **Schedule:**

Entries must be pre-registered to guarantee a space as cages are limited. Pre-registered will take priority over all others.

Entry Time: Sunday, October 13, 2024, 1 PM-3 PM

Show: Wednesday, October 16, 2024, 6 PM

## **Pick up:**

- Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM–4 PM Unless prior arrangements have been made

## **Awards:**

Premiums Youth Division: Will be paid for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> and Best in Division

Premiums Adult Division: Will be paid for 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

## **Age Divisions For All Classes:**

Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Divisions:

(All ages are as of September 1 of the current year. Under 8 years old will not compete for prizes.)

- Juniors 8-10
- Intermediates 11-13
- Seniors 14-18

## **Youth Poultry Livestock Show Rules:**

- The exhibitor must own and possess the animal no less than 60 days before the Fair.
- Poultry must be at least eight weeks of age before entry.

- There is limited space available for the exhibition; you may pre-register by contacting Division Chairperson or registering online at [www.waltoncountyfair.com](http://www.waltoncountyfair.com).
- The arrival order determines when the entries will be accepted.
- Pre-registered entries will have priority.
- All animals must be clean and well-groomed.
- An inspection by a Florida Livestock Inspector with negative results and entry paperwork must be complete before poultry are caged.
- Walton County Fair will disqualify any animal found to have mites or fleas. No diseased or externally parasitic animal will be allowed to exhibit.
- All roosters must be de-spurred.
- Youth entries can be singles, male or female of the same breed.
- Adult entries will be for one male and one female of the same breed per cage.
- Only one entry of each breed per exhibitor with a maximum of 3 entries will be accepted.
- Any entry removed early from the exhibition will forfeit any premiums.
- Poultry must be in the poultry exhibit for the entire fair week.
- All eggs produced from poultry will be destroyed. Exhibitors must sign egg disclaimers.
- Pigeons or quails will no longer be able to exhibit or show at the Walton County Fair.

# Youth Rabbit Showmanship

## **Schedule:**

Entries must be pre-registered to guarantee a space as cages are limited. Pre-registered will take priority over all others.

Entry Time: Sunday, October 13, 2024, 1 PM-3 PM

Show: Wednesday, October 16, 2024, 6 PM

Pick up:

- Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM-4 PM

## **Awards:**

Premiums to be paid on 1st , 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and Best in Division

Ribbons awarded for 1st - 10th and participation in each age division.

## **Age Divisions For All Classes:**

Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Divisions:

(All ages are as of September 1 of the current year. Under 8 will not compete for prizes.)

- Junior 8-10
- Intermediates 11-13
- Seniors 14-18

## **Youth Rabbit Show Rules:**

- The exhibitor must own and possess the animal no less than 60 days before the Fair.
- Rabbits must be at least eight weeks of age before entry.
- There is limited space available for the exhibition; you may pre-register by contacting Division



Chairperson or registering online at  
[www.waltoncountyfair.com](http://www.waltoncountyfair.com).

- The arrival order determines when the entries will be accepted.
- Pre-registered entries will have priority.
- All animals must be clean and well-groomed.
- A physical check by a Florida Livestock Inspector and entry paperwork must be complete before rabbits and cavies are caged.
- Animals found to have mites, fleas, or severe sore hocks will be disqualified. No diseased or externally parasitic animal will be allowed to exhibit.
- Removal from the exhibit will occur if any animal is aggressive.
- Bred rabbits will not be allowed to exhibit.
- Any animal removed early from the exhibition will forfeit any premiums.
- All decisions of the judge and the Walton County Fair are final.
- There is a maximum of three rabbit entries per exhibitor.
- The exhibitor will show only one animal in Youth Rabbit Showmanship.
- Any entry removed early from the exhibition will forfeit any premiums.
- Rabbits must be in the exhibition for the entire fair week.

# Cattle Show

## **Schedule:**

Entry Deadline: Saturday, October 12, 2023

Arrival Time: Saturday, October 19, 2024, 9 AM - NOON

Release Time: Immediately following show

Show Time: Saturday, October 19, 2024, 1 PM.

## **Awards:**

Premiums and ribbons will be awarded for 1st -10th place in each class division.

Champion & Reserve Champion will be selected from class winners and receive premiums and rosettes.

Exhibitors must be 8 years of age to a senior registered in high school.

All livestock must have an official individual identification and an in-State Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health paper) dated no more than 90 days (**in-State**) and 30 days (**out-of-State**)

All entries are required to be seen by the USDA inspector when you arrive before parking or offloading any animal.

All exhibitors and animals must be checked-in and weighed between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 a.m. Saturday, October 19, 2024

This is a blow and go show, **NO FIT** show. All animals will be exhibited at the owner's risk and in their natural state, clean and clipped. **NO** paint, glue, etc. Animals should be shown clean and dry. Failure to comply will result in immediate disqualification. ALL ANIMALS WILL BE CHECKED FOR PAINTS, GLUE, ETC BEFORE ENTERING THE SHOW RING

Livestock must be shown by the exhibitor unless he/she has multiple entries per class. If there are multiple entries, he/she may designate another individual to show for them in the animal's prospective class.

All animals must be dehorned. Horns must be removed and made smooth with the head.

Exhibitors must wear appropriate footwear and attire. This rule pertains to the entire show grounds from arrival until departure.

Exhibitors will provide all necessary items to feed and water their animals. Please make sure all items have some sort of identification that belongs to the showman. W.C.F.A. will not be responsible for any lost or stolen items.

All exhibitors are responsible for stalled area cleanup.

**Fees:**

Heifer, Steer, and Bull: \$15.00 per head

**Mail Payment to:**

P.O. Box 550

DeFuniak Springs, FL 32435

**Saturday Schedule:**

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.: Check-in/Weigh-in

1:00 p.m.: Showmanship: Oldest to youngest.

Following showmanship: Heifer classes by weight (lightest to heaviest), Champion Heifer Division, Steers (lightest to heaviest); Champion Steer Division, followed by Bulls

(All ages are as of September 1 of the current year)

**Showmanship:**

Showmanship Division:

Senior: 14 - 18 years of age

Intermediate: 11 - 13 years of age

Junior: 8 - 10 years of age

**Awards:** Premiums and Ribbons will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> in each class division.

(Class division is defined as Heifer, Steer, and Bull.)

Grand Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from class winners (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners of each class).

Premium and Rosettes will be awarded. Grand and Reserve Champions for each division (Heifer and Steer) will receive belt buckles. ONLY the Grand Bull Champion will receive a belt buckle.

**Heifer Show:**

Heifers must be no more than 24 months of age

Heifers will be shown by weight. Classes will be divided at management discretion.

**Steer Show:**

Steers will be shown by weight. Classes will be divided at management discretion.

**Bull Show:**

Bulls cannot be more than 24 months of age day of show.

Bulls will be shown by weight.

If a bull is older than 12 months a nose ring is required

ONLY the Grand Champion Bull will receive a buckle.

All classes will be placed after weigh in.

Show officials reserve the right to make decisions deemed to be in the interest of the show (unruly/aggressive livestock will be penned and not allowed to continue)

\*No one associated with the show will be held liable for accident, injury to any person or animal, theft, missing, or loss/damaged property.

Questions contact: Candace Dell 850-978-3192 Livestock Chair

## Youth Hog Show

Hogs must have a negative, state-required brucellosis and rabies test to participate in the Walton County Fair. All swine exhibited must be accompanied by an official health certificate indicating freedom from contagious and infectious diseases. An accredited veterinarian must sign the certificate. All animals must have tested negative dilutions to brucellosis or originate from a validated herd. This information must be recorded on the official health certificate. If having derived from a validated herd, the certificate number and the expiration date must be recorded. All swine exhibited must have tested negative for pseudo-rabies within 30 days of the show check-in.

### **Schedule:**

#### **Fair Week October 14 – 19, 2024**

Arrival at the Walton County Fair: Sunday, October 13, 2024  
between 3 PM – 5 PM

Show Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 6:00 PM

Buyer's Dinner: Thursday, October 17, 2024, at 6:00 PM

Auction Date: Thursday, October 17, 2024, at 7:00 PM

### **WALTON COUNTY FAIR WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR INJURY, THEFT, OR DEATH OF ANY ANIMALS**

#### **GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULE:**

All livestock entered into the Walton County Fair are subject to all applicable Federal, State, Local and Provincial statutes, regulations, ordinances, and rules concerning food chain safety. Livestock entered are subject to any random tests. The Walton County Fair will not be responsible for damage done by animals or injuries to animals.

**Health Requirements:**

- **EACH ANIMAL ENTERING THE WALTON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS MUST BE LISTED ON AN OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION (CVI) ISSUED BY A LICENSED ACCREDITED VETERINARIAN.**
  - All animals and CVI's will be inspected by state officials prior to unloading.
  - Multiple animals may be listed on the same, original CVI.
- **CVI's MUST BE ISSUED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF WALTON COUNTY FAIR SWINE CHECK IN DATE.**
- **OFFICIAL PREMISE ID (840) Tag**
- **CVI'S MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION**
  - Name and address of Exhibitor
  - 4H/FFA Chapter name and address of school lab for grouped animals
  - Event Name
- **ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION required to be listed on CVI**
  - **ALL ANIMALS MUST** be officially identified with a federally approved USDA '840" electronic, (EID) permanently numbered ear tag. (usually supplied by breeder/ farm of origin)
  - **ALL ANIMALS MUST** have a "readable" tag number as well (may be applied by WCF representative).
  - **SEX of each animal**
- **REQUIRED TESTS (taken within 30 days of WCF check in)**
- A vet will do a blood draw of the pig and send off to a lab.
- A negative result of Pseudorabies and Brucellosis must be obtained for CVI to be written.

- **IMPORTANT REMINDER:** Please review CVI's with your veterinarian and make sure ALL requirements are met well in advance of the swine check in order to eliminate issues under short notice. Please list your veterinarian's cell phone number on the CVI.

#### **ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS:**

- Youth from Walton County based schools 4H and FFA may participate.
- All ages are as of September 1 of the current year. No one under 8 yrs. or older than a senior in High School can participate in the Walton County Fair (WCF) Swine Show.
- Entries due **NO LATER THAN the last Friday of May**. Entries are due to WCF designee and are on a first come first served basis as space allows. **If there are more entries than space allows then participation will be determined by WCF swine committee and WCF Board.**
- There is a limit of 1 entry per exhibitor.
- Animals must weigh between 200 and 300 pounds at WCF swine check-in to be eligible for awards. One weigh back only.
- All entries should be market quality hogs with no feral influence and **must not** be fed food intended for human consumption. **Note:** feral hogs may carry the diseases you will be tested for, therefore do not house your project in areas of known occupation of untested animals.
- Animals above or below the required weight range will not be allowed to sell at the WCF exhibitor auction. However, they may be used for showmanship only – on Tuesday **THEN** these pigs must be removed from the WCF premises.



The exhibitor is personally responsible for said animals and MUST NOT make any sales on WCF property.

- All animals must comply with all health and quality standards for show and sale.
- Any animal failing to meet these standards may be disqualified at the discretion of Show Chairman, and a committee of 2 WCF board members. This is to protect the health of all animals and the integrity of the Walton County Fair.

#### **ENTRY, PAPERWORK AND FEES**

- Entries due **NO LATER THAN the last Friday of May**. Entries are due to WCF designee and are on a first come first served basis as space allows
- All required forms and fees are due at this time for the entry to be complete and accepted.
- Exhibitors may be required to attend mandatory meetings as deemed necessary by WCF swine committee / WCF Board. Pig-U will be held May 18 at Walton County Fairgrounds, 8 a.m. until.
- A \$15 nonrefundable processing fee is due upon submission of all paperwork. Fee payable to Walton County Fair.
- **All Exhibitors** are required to submit an IRS form W-9. Exhibitor's SSN # is required on W-9. **This form is required** for anyone receiving winning/funds totaling \$600 or more. Each exhibitor will receive a form 1099-Misc from Walton County Fair.
- State law requires a pork check off fee be deducted from the sale proceeds. This may be a percentage of sale proceeds and may vary animal to animal according to actual sale value.

### **SHOWMANSHIP AND AWARDS:**

- Age calculated as of Sept 1<sup>st</sup> of current year.
- Junior Division: 8-10
- Intermediate: 11-13
- Senior: 14-18 (enrolled Senior)
- Note: Swine committee reserves right to further divide the divisions into “heats” to ensure fairness to all exhibitors. Those selected from each heat will compete for overall division awards
- Premiums/Awards will be given to 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> place of each division

### **MARKET CLASSES AND AWARDS**

- WCF swine committee has discretion to divide swine into workable classes based upon number of head entered and weight ranges.
- Premiums and ribbons will be awarded 1<sup>st</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> (This could vary more or less as weights dictate).
- The first-place winner in each market hog class will compete for Grand Champion. Hogs that placed second will be on standby. The pig placing second to the Grand Champion will be included into the championship drive for Reserve Champion Honors.
- Based on total entries and quality a 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> overall champion may be selected from those remaining class winners and second placing animals
- Additional awards will be awarded to Champions selected
- **NOTE:** 2023 saw the first carcass evaluation and top 5 were selected. This is extremely beneficial industry related information and we hope to continue this as sponsorship allows.

- 3% of the total sale price of the swine will be charged per animal by the Walton County Fair. This will help with expenses of judges, plaques, ribbons, as well as future improvements to the livestock area.
- **Premium checks will not be issued until ALL paperwork including buyer thank you letters are submitted.**
- Each exhibitor is required to write thank you letters to those who purchased their animal. These letters must be in stamped envelopes and turned in to the FFA Advisor or 4-H leader no later than December 20, 2024. If acceptable thank-you letters are not received by the FFA advisor or 4-H leader by the below dates, the below stated amount of the exhibitor's check will be forfeited to the Walton County Fair. No checks will be disbursed until all monies are received by the fair association. Thank you letters not turned in by.... December 20, 2024, exhibitor will forfeit \$100 of check amount... January 31, 2024, exhibitor will forfeit \$200 of check amount. Forfeited funds will be used for improvements on the livestock area. \*FFA Advisors and 4-H leaders will determine what is deemed “acceptable”, and provide copies of thank you letters to Walton County Fair.

**Show rules:**

- All animals shown at the owner’s risk.
- A special needs exhibitor may request assistance in the ring from another entered exhibitor for their class.
- The show trend is longer hair on the pigs. No hair can be less than ½” on body. Again the

trend is basically no clipping on the body with limited trimming on neck, head and ears.

- Animals must be groomed and prepared prior to entering the ring.
- Advisers will designate appropriate official dress for their organization. FFA outdoor official dress is appropriate and 4-H may wear white shirts with black (not blue) jeans. Closed toed shoes are required
- A show stick, and a grooming brush or towel should be in the exhibitor's possession as they show.
- Pens will be assigned by the committee to facilitate easy transitions. Their decision is final.
- Pens should have signage to acknowledge sponsors and animal information. **A sign acknowledging the buyer of the project must be in place by 5 P M Friday. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of all premiums and awards.**

#### **SWINE SALE:**

- Swine sale will be held Thursday evening of the fair week
- All participants must obtain buyers for their project. Exhibitors must write **at least 3 letters** to prospective buyers. The exhibitor must provide a copy of the letters along with addresses of the prospective buyers to the FFA Advisor, 4-H agent or swine chairperson **NO LATER THAN 1 WEEK PRIOR** to checking in on official weigh in date. If buyer letters are not submitted 1 week before check in then that pig **WILL NOT** be allowed to check/weigh in.

- All pens must be cleaned and the barn “presentable” for prospective buyers to view animals by 4:45 PM on sale day.
- This is a public auction
- Swine are sold on a price per pound basis. (Bid amt. x weight = Total amt. paid)
- Payment is due at the end of the sale or to the Walton County Fair office or Swine Chairperson no later than 14 days after the sale.
- Winning bidders must designate, on auction night, the processing destination for the animal. The winning bidder may wish to not take possession of the animal and may offer it for resale. Original buyer is responsible for the total amount they bid. Resale buyer is responsible for the total amount they bid.
- The exhibitor is required to exhibit their animal during the sale process.

#### **SALE ORDER:**

- (1) Grand Champion (2) Reserve Champion (3) “if offered” 3<sup>rd</sup> overall (4) “if offered” 4<sup>th</sup> overall
- Top 5 Carcass Champions follow. (some of these could sell in the above categories)
- Following these champions will be the remainder of the class placing pigs.
- Remainder of any 1<sup>st</sup> place animals
- Remainder of any 2<sup>nd</sup> placing pigs
- Remainder of any 3<sup>th</sup> place
- 4<sup>th</sup> place, 5<sup>th</sup> place, 6<sup>th</sup> place, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, etc.... heavy weight hogs then light weight hogs.
- All Resale Money will be distributed to the participants. Method to be determined by the Walton County Fair Board.

- The exhibitor must furnish care and feed during the week of the Fair
- The fair association will provide morning feeding duties. Please contact barn personnel upon arrival if your pig has a particular feed. Labels to identify your feed and written instructions may be advisable.
- Exhibitors are only allowed entrance to the fairgrounds after 2 PM. Anyone arriving earlier to clean their pen or feed will be asked to wait in the parking lot or leave the property
- Exhibitors must clean pens by removing used and dirty shavings and care for their animal between 2 PM and 4:45 PM Monday through Friday and by 8 AM on Saturday. Any pens not cleaned by the fair opening times will be charged a \$50 fee per day which will be deducted from premium earnings. Fee will be distributed according to fair policy.
- Only exhibitors, fair staff, volunteers, Board Members, Ag. Teachers, 4-H agents and swine chair are allowed in the barn area between 2:00 PM and 4:45 PM (except on show day). This time is dedicated to students cleaning their pens. All other siblings, parents or other caregivers may wait in the arena area or grassy area next to swine barn.
- During the show on Tuesday, and auction on Thursday only students, show volunteers, Ag. Teachers, 4-H Agent and swine committee members are allowed in barn area 15 minutes prior to starting and 15 minutes after conclusion.
- **Exhibitors MUST sign up for “shifts” to help maintain clean walkways during the entire week**

of fair. Exhibitors are to maintain a clean facility for spectators to view animals, ensure safety to animals and report any issues to fair swine staff. Community service hours may be credited by Organization leaders.

- Entries will remain in barn until released by Swine chairperson Sunday morning. This facilitates the swine committee with load out of swine exhibits. Exhibitors removing their project prior to this, unless instructed to do so, will forfeit all monies earned and forfeit their opportunity to participate if future fairs.
- If student is showing at Peanut Festival the Chairman **MUST** be notified prior to sale.
- The rules of WCF are to be used to support an educational experience for all exhibitors and their organizations
- Exhibitors will be provided a copy of rules at the mandatory meetings. It is the exhibitor and parents' responsibility to read and become familiar with these rules.
- Direct any questions to swine Chairperson or committee members.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES: 2024**

- **May 18** - Mandatory Pig-U will be held on May 18 at the Walton County Fairgrounds. Price Per Child - \$15 includes lunch
- **Last Friday of May – ALL ENTRY INFORMATION AND OTHER REQUIRED PAPERWORK DUE TO ENTRY PERSONNEL.** Remember entries are based on space availability. Get them in accurate, complete and early
- **OCTOBER 14-19 --WALTON COUNTY FAIR WEEK**

- **OCTOBER 13, -- SUNDAY--SWINE arrival. 3-5 PM**
- **OCTOBER 15, TUESDAY -- SWINE SHOW – 6:00 PM**
- **OCTOBER 17, THURSDAY—BUYER DINNER, 6:00 PM**
- **OCTOBER 17, THURSDAY –AUCTION, 7:00 PM**
- **OCTOBER 20 - SWINE LOAD OUT TIMES TBD**

The Walton County Fair Board and swine committee reserve the right to rule on any points not covered that may arise.



# Youth Horse Showmanship

## **Schedule:**

Entry Deadline: Pre-Registration Required by - October 7, 2023

Arrival Time: Friday, October 13, 2024, 2:30-4:00 PM

Judging: Friday, October 18, 2024 6:00 PM

Release Time: Friday, October 18, 2024, 9:00 PM

## **Awards:**

Premiums to be paid on 1st - 5th places in each age division.

Ribbons awarded for 1st - 10th and participation in each age division.

## **Age Divisions For All Classes:**

Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Divisions:

(All ages are as of September 1 of the current year.)

- Juniors 8-10
- Intermediates 11-13
- Seniors 14-18

## **Youth Horse Livestock Show Rules:**

- The Horse Show Committee reserves the right to combine, split, or cancel any class(es).
- All exhibitors are REQUIRED to wear an SEI, or SEI/ASTM approved equestrian safety helmet with fastened chin harness in all classes. (SEI – Safety Equipment Institute, ASTM – American Society of Testing and Measures).
- Appropriate footwear and attire must be worn at all times. This rule pertains to the entire show grounds from arrival until departure.
- Failure to comply may result in disqualification.

- No stallions are allowed in classes.
- Riding outside of the arena is not allowed.
- The youth or a family member must own or lease the horse and be the youth's project horse.
- Exhibitors must register with Horse Division Chairperson.
- All horses on Walton County Fairgrounds must be accompanied by a negative Coggins Test not more than 12 months old.
- After the Ag inspector has cleared you, please bring your Coggins Test to the office to have a copy made.
- Arrival and Release times must be followed; exhibitors leaving early without the approval of the Chairperson will forfeit award premiums.
- Stall space for horse show contestants is not guaranteed.
- Any unsound, injured, or sick horses will be excused or removed after a fair panel of 3 or more members consisting of a combination of Fair Board Members, horse division chairperson, or state inspectors has deemed it necessary.

**Youth Horse Showmanship:**

- English or Western attire and tack must be worn.
- Patterns will be posted in the barn before the show.

**Conformation Class:**

- Halter Class is defined as a class where the horse is judged based upon its conformation.
- Patterns will be posted in the barn before the show.

**Costume Class:**

- The exhibitor must wear a helmet.
- The exhibitor and horse must be dressed for the contest.
- The winner receives a gift card from Tractor Supply.

# Poultry Exhibit

## Schedule:

Entries must be pre-registered to guarantee a space as cages are limited. Pre-registered will take priority over all others.

Entry Time: Sunday, October 13, 2024, 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Pick up:

- Saturday, October 19, 2024, 9:00–9:30 PM
- Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM–4 PM

## Awards:

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

## Classes:

- Chickens
- Guineas
- Bantams
- Ducks
- Geese
- Turkeys

## Poultry Exhibit Division Rules:

- The exhibitor must own and possess the animal no less than 60 days before the Fair.
- Poultry must be at least eight weeks of age before entry.
- There is limited space available for the exhibition; you may pre-register by contacting Division Chairperson or registering on [www.waltoncountyfair.com](http://www.waltoncountyfair.com)
- The arrival order determines when the entries will be accepted.

- Pre-registered entries will have priority.
- All animals must be clean and well-groomed.
- An inspection by a Florida Livestock Inspector with negative results and entry paperwork must be complete before poultry are caged.
- Walton County Fair will disqualify any animal found to have mites or fleas. No diseased or externally parasitic animal will be allowed to exhibit.
- All roosters must be de-spurred.
- Entries will be for one male & one female of the same breed per cage.
- Only one entry of each breed per exhibitor with a maximum of 6 entries will be accepted.
- Any entry removed early from the exhibition will forfeit any premiums.
- All eggs produced from poultry will be destroyed. Exhibitors must sign egg disclaimers.
- Pigeons or quails will no longer be able to exhibit or show at the Walton County Fair.

# Rabbit Exhibit

## **Schedule:**

Entries must be pre-registered to guarantee a space as cages are limited. Pre-registered will take priority over all others.

Entry Time: Sunday, October 13, 2024, 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Pick up:

- Saturday, October 19, 2024, 9:00–9:30 PM
- Sunday, October 20, 2024, 1 PM –4 PM

## **Awards:**

Premiums: Will be paid for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Best in Division.

Ribbons: 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd place, Best in Division, and Participation.

## **Rabbit and Cavy Classes:**

*The Fair Association may combine divisions at their discretion.*

- Rabbit
- Lop
- Dwarf
- Mini Rex / Rex
- Commercial / Meat
- Miscellaneous

## **Rabbit Exhibit Division Rules:**

- The exhibitor must own and possess the animal no less than 60 days before the Fair.
- There is limited space available for the exhibition; you may pre-register by contacting Division Chairperson.
- The arrival order determines when the entries will be accepted.

- Pre-registered entries will have priority.
- All animals must be clean and well-groomed.
- A physical check by a Florida Livestock Inspector and entry paperwork must be complete before rabbits and cavies are caged.
- Animals found to have mites, fleas, or severe sore hocks will be disqualified. No diseased or externally parasitic animal will be allowed to exhibit.
- Removal from the exhibit will occur if any animal is aggressive.
- Any animal removed early from the exhibition will forfeit any premiums.
- All decisions of the judge and the Walton County Fair are final.
- Rabbits must be eight weeks of age as of the Fair's opening day.
- Bred rabbits will not be allowed to exhibit.
- There is a maximum of three rabbit entries per exhibitor.
- Cavys will no longer be able to exhibit at the Walton County Fair.

# Horse Exhibit

## **Schedule:**

Entry Deadline: Pre-registration by October 13, 2024

## **Horse Exhibit Rules:**

- The public may exhibit horses in the stalls located in the livestock area.
- Any individual breeding farms and ranches are encouraged to display horses.
- Horse owners may display signs to promote farms and breeds. Signs must be professional and not contain any derogatory images or words.
- All horses on Walton County Fairgrounds must be accompanied by a negative Coggins Test not more than 12 months old.
- Stalls are limited; to assure stall availability, contact the Chairperson to reserve a stall or stalls. The Chairperson will give youth project horses priority.
- Horses must be well-groomed and cared for, with water and hay provided by the owner.
- The horse owner will remove hay and manure from stalls and new shavings added to the stall as needed each night (shavings provided).
- The horse owner is responsible for monitoring the horse's safety while on fairgrounds.
- Horses must be on exhibit from 4:30 - 9:30 PM unless previously arranged with a chairperson.
- Any unsoundness or horses showing signs of being sick will be excused or removed after a fair panel of 3 or more members consisting of Fair Board Members, horse division chairperson, or state inspector, if available, have deemed it necessary.