

2026 CLARK COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR CAVY

CAREFULLY READ ALL RULES AND GUIDELINES. EXHIBITORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FOLLOWING THE MOST CURRENT JR. FAIR RULES FOR EXHIBITION!

SKILLATHON/PROJECT JUDGING

Skill-a-thon/Project Judging: June 24 ONLY Time: 5 PM - 9 PM Location: Arts & Crafts

AMBASSADOR

Entry Deadline: June 15 Time: By Midnight Location: Online
Interviews: June 24 Time: 6 PM-8 PM Location: Arts & Crafts
Awarded: Sat., July 24 Time: Conclusion of showmanship Location: Rabbit Barn

SHOWS AND EVENTS

Cavy Exhibitor Registration: April 8	Time: By Midnight	Location: Online
Rabbit I.D. Day: Sat., April 11	Time: 9 AM – 11 AM	Location: Youth Building
Pen Set-Up: Monday, July 20	Time: 6 PM	Location: Rabbit Barn
Cavy Cage Display: Fri., July 24	Time: By 7 PM	Location: Rabbit Barn
Cavy Check-In: Sat., July 25	Time: 7:30 AM-8:30 AM	Location: Rabbit Barn
Exhibitor Meeting: Sat., July 25	Time: 8:45 AM	Location: Rabbit Barn
Show: Sat., July 25	Time: 9 AM	Location: Rabbit Barn
Showmanship: Sat., July 25	Time: follows show	Location: Rabbit Barn
Released to Go Home: Sat., July 25	Time: conclusion of show	

Senior Fair Board Members: Ray Adams, Dan Hilty

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Rabbit Barn Superintendents: Amy Snider, Ben Marshall, Dody Haughey, Erynn Hanford

Department – Jr. Fair Cavy Event - 4-H Cavy Skill-a-thon & Project Judging
Wed., June 24, 5 PM to 9 PM, Arts and Crafts Building
Pre-register by midnight June 23 at <https://go.osu.edu/2026clarkco4hrabbitandcavyskillathonreg>
Link to register will go live one week prior to registration deadline.

Senior Skill-a-thon & Project Book Division Ages 14-18
Junior Skill-a-thon & Project Book Division..... Ages 8 & in 3rd to 13

Awards:

All Participants – *Grade Ribbons and Incentive Award at Skill-a-thon/Project Judging*

Top 10% by Age – *Rosette & Certificate – Sponsored by Clark County 4-H Committee*

Division Winners – *Plaque* Overall Winner – *Plaque*

Outstanding Project Books by Divisions: *\$25 Cash Award and Certificate*

Sponsored by Clark County 4-H & FFA Rabbit & Poultry Committee

Top 10%, Plaques, and Outstanding Project Book Awards presented during the Cavy Show

General Cavy Exhibitor Rules and Guidelines:

1. Exhibitor Rules and Guidelines: All **Cavy exhibitors** are required to abide by the most
 - A. **CURRENT** Clark Co. Jr. Fair Book <https://clark.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/clark-county-fair>
 - B. Inspection & Health Requirements of Livestock Exhibited in Ohio <https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-administrative-code/chapter-901:1-18> AND
 - C. Ohio's Livestock Tampering Rules <https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-administrative-code/chapter-901-19>
2. **4-H and FFA Member Eligibility for Jr. Fair Cavy:**
 - A. **Only currently enrolled Clark County 4-H and FFA members, age 8 and in the third grade through 19 years of age that are in good standing may exhibit and show cavy projects including breeding and pet at the Clark Co. Jr. Fair**
 - B. **To be a 4-H member in good standing, the exhibitor must:**
 - i) **Be enrolled in a club with a rabbit project(s) by April 15th at <https://oh.4honline.com/>;**
 - ii) **Meet all 4-H membership requirements including payment of the 4-H activity fee; and**
 - iii) **Participate in Skill-a-thon/Project judging with a current up-to-date project book with all Fair rabbit animals included in the record sections.**
 - C. **To be an FFA member in good standing, the exhibitor must:**

- i) **Make a valid Junior Fair Profile Entry by May 31 of the current year at <http://clarkohjfair.fairentry.com> ;**
 - ii) **Meet all FFA chapter requirements including payment of the FFA membership fee; and**
 - iii) **Keep up to date records for all fair rabbit animals in the members' AET (Agricultural Experience Tracker).**
3. **Cavy Exhibitor Project & Class Requirements:**
 - A. 4-H exhibitors may exhibit a maximum of **10 purebred** cavies.
 - B. FFA exhibitors may only show cavies that are 6 months and older or weight 32 ounces or more.
 4. **Cavy Possession, Exhibitor Registration & I.D. Day:**
 - A. Exhibitors must have their cavy projects under their possession and care by **April 8, 2026**.
 - B. Exhibitors must complete the 2026 Clark County Jr. Fair Cavy Exhibitor Registration On-Line Survey Form by midnight, **April 8, 2025** at <https://go.osu.edu/2026clarkcojrfaircavyexhreg>.
 - C. Exhibitors must bring all cavy projects to the **Cavy I.D. Day, Sat., April 11, 9 AM-11AM, Youth Building, Clark Co. Fairgrounds**. No limit on the number of cavies registered by exhibitor. **All** cavies must be identified in the left ear with a tag and recorded on this date to be eligible to be shown in any cavy classes at the Clark County Junior Fair.
 - D. Exhibitors must bring to Cavy I.D. Day proof or knowledge of the cavy's age.
 - E. There will be a **\$3/per cavy fee charged to the exhibitor for this registration**.
 - F. If a registered cavy dies before June 1st, it may be replaced by June 1st provided the member notifies the **Ext. Office at 937-398-7599 or e-mail house.18@osu.edu or 937-398-7606 or e-mail elleman.30@osu.edu**. The exhibitor must contact a Rabbit & Poultry Committee member to have the replacement cavy identified with a tag in the left ear.
 - G. If a cavy loses, its ear tag, you must notify the Extension Office at 937-398-7599 or house.18@osu.edu or **937-398-7606 or e-mail elleman.30@osu.edu**, the committee will contact the exhibitor to retag the cavy. Cavies without tags at Fair will not show.
 5. **Skill-a-thon/Project Judging:** 4-H cavy exhibitors must bring up-to-date project book(s), record book(s), and feed label(s) for all projects to skill-a-thon/project judging. All 4-H exhibitors must go through skill-a-thon/project judging to be eligible to show their cavies at the Clark Co. Fair. Skill-a-thon awards are given at the Cavy Show.
 6. **Outstanding Project Book:** 4-H members wishing to enter the Outstanding Cavy Project Book Contest must submit their project book(s) for judging when they participate in the Skill-a-thon/Project Judging. Project books will be judged and available for pick-up by the member at fair check-in and during the show. Project Book awards are given at the Cavy Show.
 7. **Health Requirements:** Health papers are not required, but cavies must be free of contagious and infectious diseases. Cavies checked for disease at check-in. The Rabbit and Poultry Committee, in consultation with the Fair Veterinarian, will dismiss cavies declared to be diseased or unworthy of show from the fairgrounds.
 8. **Authorized Showman:** Exhibitors must show their own cavy(s) on the judging table and/or in the ring. If an exhibitor is unable to show his/her own cavies, the exhibitor must get permission from the Junior Fair Rabbit and Poultry Committee for another exhibitor to show their cavy.
 9. **Dress Code:** All cavy exhibitors **SHOULD** wear long pants, club/chapter or collared shirt and closed-toed shoes. Lab coats may be worn but not required.
 10. **Authorized Ring Personnel:** Only Junior Fair exhibitors and show staff are allowed in cage area during the cavy show, unless the barn or show superintendents or personnel grant special assistance.
 11. **Barn Rules:**
 - A. Exhibitors will not receive cage space since this is a carry in one-day show.
 - B. Exhibitors must bring their cavies in their own personal cages/carriers. Table space will be provided at show to place your personal carriers/cages.
 - C. Exhibitors must provide appropriate food and water and a means to keep cavy(s) cool while on the fairgrounds.
 12. **Rule Observance:** Ignorance of rules is no excuse for violation. All rules and regulations found within the digital Jr. Fair Book, 4-H Project Selection & Requirement Guide, and/or the Clark Co. Fair website <http://clarkcoag.com>. Failure to adhere can result in disqualification from show and/or withholding or overturning premiums and awards from the exhibitor.
 13. **Resolution Committee:**
 - A. Jr. Fair Rabbit & Poultry Com. reserves the right to rule on items or interpretations of all rules & items stated.
 - B. When satisfactory evidence has been obtained by the Jr. Fair Rabbit & Poultry Committee that any cavy rules have been violated, the exhibitor and/or exhibitor's family may be barred from the showing of cavies at the Clark County Fair for at least one (1) year.
 14. **Protests:**
 - A. **The appropriate species committees and/or Jr. Fair Auction Committee, Junior, and Senior Fair Boards will handle protests specific to department rules governing shows, events, contests, and auction.** Protests must be made in writing accompanied by a **\$50.00** check made payable to the Clark County Fair Board and presented to the chairperson of the specific Junior Fair Department, refundable if the protest is allowed.
 - B. In the event of a protest arising over the interpretation of 4-H exhibitor eligibility requirements (i.e. - skill-a-thon completion, age/grade requirements, club meeting requirements, activity fee requirements, dual projects, etc.), such protest must be made in writing, accompanied with a \$50 check, refundable if protest is allowed and filed in the 4-H office at the Youth Building. The Clark County 4-H Extension Educator and the

Clark County 4-H Advisory Committee's Resolution Committee will review the written protest and take appropriate action.

- C. The team of Agri-science instructors govern FFA exhibitor eligibility and interpretation. FFA exhibitors must file written FFA protests accompanied with a \$50 check in the FFA office of the Youth Building for review, interpretation, and action.

Department – Jr. Fair Cavy Division 200 – All Cavy Classes
Shows on Sat., July 25, 9 AM, Rabbit Barn

- **Pet, any age – 4-H Members only**
- 4-H members may show Sows and Boars weighing at least 12 ounces and more.
- FFA Members May Only Show Cavy Boars and Sows – 6 months and older and at least 32 ounces
- Sows and Boars show by breed regardless of age and/or weight.

Boars and sows will show separate in their breed or pet classes.

Boar Classes	Sow Classes
Class 100: 4-H Pet Boar	Class 101: 4-H Pet Sow
Class 201: Abyssinian Boar	Class 202: Abyssinian Sow
Class 203: Abyssinian Satin Boar	Class 204: Abyssinian Satin Sow
Class 205: American Boar	Class 206: American Sow
Class 207: American Satin Boar	Class 208: American Satin Sow
Class 209: Coronet Boar	Class 210: Coronet Sow
Class 211: Peruvian Boar	Class 212: Peruvian Sow
Class 213: Peruvian Satin Boar	Class 214: Peruvian Satin Sow
Class 215: Silkie Boar	Class 216: Silkie Sow
Class 217: Silkie Satin Boar	Class 218: Silkie Satin Sow
Class 219: Teddy Boar	Class 220: Teddy Sow
Class 221: Teddy Satin Boar	Class 222: Teddy Satin Sow
Class 223: Texel Boar	Class 224: Texel Sow
Class 225: White Crested Boar	Class 226: White Crested Sow

Cavy Class Fair Registration: Jr. Fair Management will make entry for cavy class entries for all 4-H and FFA members based on the information collected on the **2026 Clark County Jr. Fair Cavy Exhibitor Registration On-Line Survey due April 8 and Cavy I.D. Day on April 11.**

Awards:

1st-5th Place – Strip

Best of Show Cavy - Trophy

Best of Breed - Rosettes

Reserve Best of Show Cavy - Trophy

Best Opposite of Breed - Rosettes

Department – Jr. Fair Cavy Division 201 – Cavy Showmanship
Shows on Sat., July 25, Rabbit Barn following the show

Class 100 Junior Showmanship.....	Ages 8 & in 3rd to 13
Class 200 Senior Showmanship.....	Ages 14-18

Awards: 1st Place – Trophy 2nd-5th Place – Rosettes

Showmanship Rules and Guidelines:

1. **Age Eligibility:** All ages are based on the exhibitor's age as of January 1st of the current year.
2. **Registration:** 4-H and FFA members must make entry for showmanship using Fair Entry On-line at <http://clarkohjrfair.fairentry.com> by July 1st.
3. **Designated Animal:** The exhibitor **MUST** use his/her own cavy in the showmanship contest.
4. **Time of Show and Show Order:** **Showmanship will follow the show starting with Juniors and then Seniors.**
5. Cavy exhibitors are not eligible for the Showman of Showmen competition unless there are 20 or more cavy exhibitors. Once 20 cavy exhibitors are reached, the Sr. Cavy Showmanship winner would be the representative for Showman of Showmen.

Department - Jr. Fair Cavy Division – 202 – Cavy Ambassador

Class 100 Cavy Ambassador 2025 Cavy Ambassador – Mackenzie Salyers

Award: Sash and Crown or Medallion

Cavy Ambassador Contest Rules and Guidelines:

1. Requirements:

- A. Exhibitors aged 8, and in third grade to 18 years of age and currently enrolled with a cavy project are eligible.
- B. Applicants should be knowledgeable of cavies.
- C. Applicant must complete and submit on-line survey application by **midnight June 15** go to

<https://go.osu.edu/2026clarkcojrfairanimalambassadorapp> to apply.

D. Applicant must participate in an interview at the Cavy Skill-a-thon, **June 24, 6 PM to 8 PM.**

2. Duties

A. Assist with Cavy Show at the Clark County Fair.

C. Serve as a youth representative on the 4-H & FFA Rabbit & Poultry Committee which includes cavies.

D. Promote Cavies throughout the year at community events and activities.

3. Recognition: Cavy Ambassador recognized at the end of the Cavy Showmanship.

Department - Jr. Fair Cavy

Division – 203 – Cavy Cage Display

Class 100 Cavy Cage Display

Award: Best Cavy Display – Trophy

2nd-5th Place – Strip Ribbons

Cavy Display Rules and Guidelines:

1. Requirements:

A. Each exhibitor must make entry by midnight July 1 on Fair Entry **and request a pen on the cavy pen assignment form sent to each club with cavy project members.**

B. Each registered cavy cage display exhibitor will receive (1) cage at Fair to create a static display. **No live cavies!**

C. Exhibitors must set up their Cavy Display **in their assigned cage** by Friday, July 24, 7 PM.

2. Recognition: The display will be judged on exhibitor's cavy experiences, educational message conveyed and eye appeal. Awards will be presented at the end of the cavy showmanship.