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Agricultural Education & FFA

**FFA Activities & Premium List**

July 18 – July 26, 2025

Minot, ND

**NORTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR**

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#### FFA MISSION STATEMENT

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education.

**ND FFA Association Web Site:** [**www.ndffa.org**](http://www.ndffa.org)

**ND FFA Foundation Web Site:** [**www.ndffafoundation.com**](http://www.ndffafoundation.com)

**SCHEDULE OF FFA EVENTS**

**Monday, July 14**

9:00 a.m. – Entry deadline for all exhibits into FairEntry. All livestock, poultry, and rabbit exhibits entered into FairEntry for stall/pen/cage placement.

**Wednesday, July 16**

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Entry of Static Exhibits – Gate F (NW Gate)

**Thursday, July 17**

8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Final Entry of Static Exhibits – Gate F (NW Gate)

8:00 a.m. – Judging of FFA Horticulture Exhibits Begins

11:30 a.m. – Judges & FFA Advisor Meal – 4-H Hall Upper Level, Sponsor – NDSF

12:30 p.m. – Judging of FFA Static Exhibits Begins

4 – 6:30 p.m.–Tractor Operator Practice–East of 27th St. SE.–N. Side of 4th Ave. SE

**Friday, July 18: Opening Day of the North Dakota State Fair**

8:00 a.m. – Tractor Operator – East of 27th St. SE. – N. Side of 4th Ave. SE

10:30 a.m. – Tractor Operator Awards – East of 27th St. SE. – N. Side of 4th Ave. SE

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – Check-In and Caging of FFA Poultry – Poultry Barn

**Saturday, July 19**

4:00 p.m. – Entry deadline for FFA Beef & Sheep in Open Classes showing Sunday.

**Sunday, July 20**

8:00 a.m. – FFA Poultry Show – Poultry Barn

1:00 p.m. – Entry deadline for FFA Beef & Sheep in Open Class showing Monday.

**Monday, July 21**

12:30 p.m. – FFA Livestock & Static Livestock Superintendent Meeting – FFA Hall

6:00 p.m. – Release of FFA Poultry – Release of FFA First Vegetable Show

**Tuesday, July 22**

8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Check-in and Penning of all FFA Sheep, Beef, Dairy, Goats & Swine – Expo Barn Arena

8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Check-in and Penning of FFA Rabbits – Bunny Barn

11:00 a.m. – Entry Deadline for Second Show of FFA Fruits and Vegetables

12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Self weigh in period for Swine

12:00 p.m. – FFA & 4-H Livestock Exhibitor Meeting – Expo Barn Arena

12:30 p.m. – Weigh FFA & 4-H Goats, Sheep & Beef

4:30 p.m. – Swine weight cards must be submitted.

5:00-7:00 p.m. – FFA & 4-H Exhibitors Picnic – Commercial II Building Picnic Tent

**Wednesday, July 23**

8:00 a.m. – FFA Rabbit Show – Bunny Barn

8:00 a.m. – FFA Dairy Show – Roughrider Arena

1:00 p.m. – FFA Dairy Goat Show – Roughrider Arena

2:00 p.m. – FFA Sheep Show – Expo Barn Main Arena

**Thursday, July 24**

8:00 a.m. – FFA Swine Show – Expo Barn Main Arena

Friday, July 25

8:00 a.m. – FFA Meat Goat Show – Roughrider Arena

10:30 a.m. – FFA Beef Show – NDSF Center Arena I

**Saturday, July 26**

8:00 a.m. – FFA Round Robin – NDSF Center Arena I

8:30 a.m. – FFA Awards – NDSF Center Arena I

9:00 a.m. – FFA Livestock & Static Livestock Superintendent Meeting – FFA Hall

3:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Staggered Release of Rabbits and Livestock

6:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Static Exhibit Release – Gate F (NW Gate)\*\*

\*\*Paid Gate Admission & NDSF Letter for Gate Entry is Required.

**Sunday, July 27**

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – Complete removal of all exhibits – Gate F (NW Gate)

**4-H & FFA EXHIBITORS PICNIC**

The picnic is open to all NDSF 4-H and FFA exhibitors, parents, and FFA advisors with a ticket obtained in FFA Hall or at the Livestock Exhibitor Meeting. The picnic will be at the Commercial II Building Picnic Tent on **Tuesday, July 22** from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

##### ENTRY OF STATIC, LIVESTOCK, & STATIC LIVESTOCK EXHIBITS

**All exhibits** must be entered by the chapter FFA advisor into FairEntry at [www.fairentry.com](http://www.fairentry.com), prior to the deadline established by the FFA State Office Exhibit tags will be printed by the chapter FFA advisor. Exhibit tags must be securely attached to each static exhibit. Static Livestock exhibit tags must be attached to the cage. Livestock do not require an exhibit tag.

Enter the NDSF through Gate F (NW Gate). Upon arrival to the NDSF, report to the Division Superintendent for placement of exhibits. The location of exhibits is listed under each department/division entry information.

All livestock and static livestock must be entered in FairEntry by the date identified in the schedule of events.No stalling or entry fees will be charged to animals entered in
4-H and FFA only.

**STATIC EXHIBIT RELEASE**

Static Exhibits will be released between 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 26. Enter

through Gate F (NW Gate). Paid Gate Admission & NDSF Letter for Gate Entry is

Required. Complete removal of all exhibits is Sunday, July 27 – 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**STATIC EXHIBIT TRAILER PARKING AT THE NDSF**

Due to limited parking space at the NDSF, all FFA chapters who want to leave a trailer(s) during the week of the NDSF will be required to park off grounds. The free parking lot is located east of the NDSF – East of 27th St. SE. in the Industrial Lot – North Side of 4th Ave. SE – Same location as the Tractor Operator Contest.

##### LIVESTOCK LOAD/UNLOAD PASS AND CAMPING AT THE NDSF

A Livestock Load/Unload Pass and a Camping Pass for the NDSF is available on a **reservation only** basis prior to the first day of the NDSF. Early completion of both pass requests at [www.ndstatefair.com](http://www.ndstatefair.com) is highly recommended. All FFA members must be accompanied by their advisor, parent, or legal guardian.

### EXHIBITING IN 4-H AND OPEN CLASS

FFA members who plan to exhibit in the Open Class Shows must submit official entry forms on the NDSF website at [www.ndstatefair.com](http://www.ndstatefair.com). A separate static exhibit must be prepared for 4-H and FFA. The same animal of any livestock or static livestock species may be exhibited in one 4-H or FFA show only, regardless of joint ownership by 4-H and FFA members.

**ADMISSION TO THE NDSF**

Special FFA rates are available. FFA membership card is required.

Season Tickets, FFA members $10

Season Tickets, Adult $25

Non-FFA Junior Season Pass $15

Season Passes may be exchanged for a wristband.

**Write:** NDSF, PO Box 1796, Minot, ND 58702 **Call:** (701) 857-7620

**Email:** competitive@ndstatefair.com

**DOGS AT THE NDSF**

Only livestock, poultry, rabbit, and horse exhibitors are allowed to have dogs on the NDSF property in camping areas and assigned barns. Under no circumstances are dogs allowed outside of the designated areas.

##### FFA NDSF EXHIBIT ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND RULES

1. ND middle and high school students enrolled in 2024-2025 agricultural education classes, or a graduate of, and are listed on the FFA membership roster are eligible to exhibit in the FFA division and participate in the Tractor Operator Contest. A student who will be enrolled in a class and become an FFA member in the fall of 2025 is not eligible to participate if they do not meet the requirements in the previous statement. FFA members may retain active membership until the fourth National FFA Convention upon graduation from high school.
2. The FFA Code of Ethics will be followed. Use of alcohol, tobacco, vaping, e-cigarettes, and illegal drugs will not be tolerated, and members are subject to disqualification and forfeiture of awards and premiums. All FFA members must be chaperoned by advisors, parents, or school officials.
3. All exhibits must be certified by the chapter advisor and entered in FairEntry. Entries may be exhibited only in FFA and not 4-H. Static Exhibits may only be shown once at the NDSF – exhibits may not be shown in 4-H one year and FFA or Open Division the next. Exhibit class designation may be changed by the Division Superintendent. Appeals concerning class placement, awards, or disqualifications must be made within 24 hours of the completion of judging. When large numbers of exhibits are entered in one class and a clear difference is evident, the class may be sub-divided. Only one item per class may be exhibited unless otherwise indicated.
4. FFA entries will be handled as a part of the NDSF. Entries are subject to the rules of the NDSF and in compliance with the general policies and regulations governing FFA activities and awards as stated in ND FFA Policy and Handbooks.
5. Precautions will be taken to safeguard exhibits, but the NDSF and ND FFA Association will not be responsible for damaged, stolen, or lost articles. FFA Hall in the NDSF Center is open 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. daily during the NDSF.
6. Each exhibit, except livestock, must be accompanied by a properly completed entry tag printed from FairEntry.
7. All exhibits must be housed in the designate facilities for FFA exhibits unless permission is granted by the superintendent prior to entering.
8. Removal of exhibits prior to the designated release time will result in forfeiture of premium awards to the chapter and members.

##### PREMIUMS AWARDED

1. Premiums will be offered on all classes. As exhibits are judged, they will be placed in the "Blue", "Red", and "White" ribbon groups. Inferior quality exhibits will be disqualified and not displayed. “Stickers” will be used to indicate ribbon placing. Grand Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded to appropriate exhibits. Exhibitors who desire to receive ribbons may pick them up in FFA Hall prior to removal of exhibits from the NDSF.
2. The NDSF will distribute FFA premiums to the FFA Chapters in **September 2025**. FFA Chapters will receive one check and will distribute the premiums to each exhibitor, based upon the FairEntry report from the FFA State Office.
3. All premiums are based on funds appropriated by the state legislature. All other operational funds are derived from NDSF income. Adjustments to points/and premiums may be made by the FFA State Office and NDSF Management.
4. Cash Premiums:Static, Static Livestock (Poultry and Rabbit) premiums are $.11 per point. Beef, dairy, goats, sheep, and swine are $.16 cents per point.
5. Entries are assigned a point value for the basis of awarding premiums. **The points for** **each department/division/class are located on the next page.**

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| **Agricultural Produce**: |
| Wool, Eggs, Processed Meat |
| Blue | 40 points |
| Red | 25 points |
| White | 10 points |
| Vegetables, Fruit, Honey |
| Blue | 30 points |
| Red | 20 points |
| White | 10 points |

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| **Agricultural Mechanics**: |
| Jumbo Projects & Tractors - 60's |
| Blue | 600 points |
| Red | 400 points |
| White | 200 points |
| Extra Large - 50's |
| Blue | 200 points |
| Red | 100 points |
| White | 50 points |
| Large - 40's |
| Blue | 150 points |
| Red | 75 points |
| White | 40 points |
| Medium - 30's  |
| Blue | 80 points |
| Red | 40 points |
| White | 20 points |
| Small - 20's |
| Blue | 30 points |
| Red | 20 points |
| White | 10 points |

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| **Educational Displays:** |
| Class numbers ending in 0 or 1 |
| Blue | 30 points |
| Red | 20 points |
| White | 10 points |
| Class numbers ending in 2 or 3 |
| Blue  | 40 points |
| Red | 25 points |
| White | 10 points |
| Class numbers ending in 4, 5, or 6 |
| Blue | 60 points |
| Red  | 40 points |
| White | 20 points |
| Class numbers ending in 7 |
| Blue | 80 points |
| Red | 50 points |
| White | 25 points |
| Class numbers ending in 8 or 9 |
| Blue | 150 points |
| Red | 75 points |
| White | 40 points |
| Class SFJ, SFI, & SFS |
| Blue | 200 points |
| Red | 100 points |
| White | 50 points |

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| **Field Crop:** |
| Sheaves & Threshed Grains |
| Blue | 40 points |
| Red | 25 points |
| White | 10 points |

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| **Floriculture & Horticulture:** |
| Class numbers ending in 1, 2, or 3 |
| Blue | 30 points |
| Red | 20 points |
| White | 10 points |
| Class numbers ending in 4 or 5 |
| Blue | 40 points |
| Red | 25 points |
| White | 15 points |
| Class numbers ending in 6 or 7 |
| Blue | 50 points |
| Red | 25 points |
| White | 15 points |
| Class numbers ending in 8 or 9 |
| Blue | 80 points |
| Red | 50 points |
| White | 30 points |
| Class numbers ending in 0 |
| Blue | 150 points |
| Red | 100 points |
| White | 50 points |

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| **Livestock & Static Livestock:** |
| Beef & Dairy |
| Blue | 200 points |
| Red | 100 points |
| White | 50 points |
| Goats, Sheep, & Swine |
| Blue | 100 points |
| Red | 50 points |
| White | 25 points |
| Poultry & Rabbits |
| Blue | 50 points |
| Red | 25 points |
| White | 15 points |

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| **Showmanship:** |
| Blue | 40 points |
| Red | 25 points |
| White | 10 points |

**Champions:**

Grand Champion

– Additional Blue Points

Reserve Champion

– Additional Red Points

**Disqualifications:** 0 points

### SPECIAL PREMIUMS AND AWARDS

The following awards are presented to chapters and individuals for outstanding performance in the various exhibit areas and competitive events. Chapter awards will be based on white, red, blue, reserve, and grand champion points earned.

##### FFA SWEEPSTAKES

A traveling trophy and permanent plaque sponsored by the NDSFwill be awarded to the chapter with the most points earned. Chapters earning over 5,000 total points will be eligible for the NDSF Sweepstakes drawings. Five prizes of $200 will be drawn at the ND CTE Professional Development Conference in August. Eligibility is based upon points earned in the white, red, blue, reserve, and grand champion categories.

**BASIC TRACTOR OPERATOR CONTEST**

A Baby Bison and $250 cash award will be presented to the winner.Judging is based on the student's ability to operate a tractor safely and a written exam on tractor operation, safety, and daily maintenance. For members in grades 7 – 10 in the previous school year.

**ADVANCED TRACTOR OPERATOR CONTEST**

A Baby Bison and $250 cash award will be presented to the winner. Judging is based on the student's ability to operate a tractor safely and a written exam on tractor operation, safety, and daily maintenance. For members in grades 11 – 12 in the previous school year.

**TOP THREE WHEAT AND DURUM**

A premium will be paid by the **ND Wheat Commission** for the top three Hard Red Spring Wheat and the top two Durum Grain Samples **AND** Grain Sheaves.

1st – $40 2nd – $30 3rd --$25

**ROUND ROBIN**

**GRAND CHAMPION SHOWMANSHIP**

A Baby Bison, a $250.00 cash award, and a traveling trophy will be presented to the overall grand champion showman.

**ROUND ROBIN**

**RESERVE CHAMPION SHOWMANSHIP**

A trophy will be presented to the overall reserve champion showman. Sponsored by the ND FFA Foundation.

**BEEF SHOWMANSHIP**

A trophy will be presented to the winner. Judging is based on such factors as appearance of the showman, control of the animal, poise and calmness and skill.

**BEEF HERDSMAN**

A plaque will be presented to the top FFA Member.Judging is based on such factors as daily cooperation, promptness and efficiency in showing animals, cleanliness of alleys and stalls, and care and grooming of the animals.

**DAIRY CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP**

A trophy will be presented to the winner. Judging is based on such factors as appearance of the showman, control of the animal, poise and calmness and skill.

DAIRY CATTLE HERDSMAN

A plaque will be presented to the top FFA Member.Judging is based on such factors as daily cooperation, promptness and efficiency in showing animals, cleanliness of alleys and stalls, and care and grooming of the animals.

**DAIRY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP**

A trophy will be presented to the winner. Judging is based on such factors as appearance of the showman, control of the animal, poise and calmness and skill.

**DAIRY GOAT HERDSMAN**

A plaque will be presented to the top FFA Member.Judging is based on such factors as daily cooperation, promptness and efficiency in showing animals, cleanliness of alleys and stalls, and care and grooming of the animals.

**MEAT GOAT SHOWMANSHIP**

A trophy will be presented to the winner. Judging is based on such factors as appearance of the showman, control of the animal, poise and calmness and skill.

**MEAT GOAT HERDSMAN**

A plaque will be presented to the top FFA Member.Judging is based on such factors as daily cooperation, promptness and efficiency in showing animals, cleanliness of alleys and stalls, and care and grooming of the animals.

**SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP**

A trophy will be presented to the winner. Judging is based on such factors as appearance of the showman, control of the animal, poise and calmness and skill.

**SHEEP HERDSMAN**

A plaque will be presented to the top FFA Member.Judging is based on such factors as daily cooperation, promptness and efficiency in showing animals, cleanliness of alleys and stalls, and care and grooming of the animals.

**SWINE SHOWMANSHIP**

A trophy will be presented to the winner. Judging is based on such factors as appearance of the showman, control of the animal, poise and calmness and skill.

**SWINE HERDSMAN**

A plaque will be presented to the top FFA Member.Judging is based on such factors as daily cooperation, promptness and efficiency in showing animals, cleanliness of alleys and stalls, and care and grooming of the animals.

**POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP**

A trophy will be presented to the winner. Judging is based on such factors as appearance of the showman, control of the animal, poise and calmness and skill.

**POULTRY HERDSMAN**

A plaque will be presented to the top FFA Member.Judging is based on such factors as daily cooperation, promptness and efficiency in showing animals, cleanliness of alleys and stalls, and care and grooming of the animals.

**RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP**

A trophy will be presented to the winner. Judging is based on such factors as appearance of the showman, control of the animal, poise and calmness and skill.

**RABBIT HERDSMAN**

A plaque will be presented to the top FFA Member.Judging is based on such factors as daily cooperation, promptness and efficiency in showing animals, cleanliness of alleys and stalls, and care and grooming of the animals.

**DEPARTMENT** – **AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS**

*Exhibits are in FFA Hall & Theater, attached to FFA Hall.*

*Tractors are in the NDSF Center Lobby – Main Entrance*

1. Members may exhibit more than one “unlike” project per class. A list of typical projects within each class is included. **Each exhibit must be a challenging project and must have a purpose or practical use.** (NO "what-cha-may-call-its", simple push-sticks or “do-dads, etc.”, construction must occur.
2. At the discretion of the superintendent, the classes may be divided or exhibits reassigned classes by size of project or time necessary to complete the project. All projects must be completed although accessories needed to make the exhibit functional are not necessary, i.e., hydraulic jack for a press.
3. The basic construction of the exhibit will determine class number. Class designation may be changed by the superintendent. Appeals concerning class placement, awards, or disqualifications must be made within 24 hours upon the completion of judging.
4. **Quality of construction** is a major factor in the judging of these projects. Advisors are encouraged to bring the best for the FFA NDSF display. Items that do not meet the quality standards of the project screening committee or judges will be disqualified and no ribbon placing, or premium will be awarded.
5. During transport, all large, extra-large & jumbo exhibits should be properly secured & transported according to all ND DOT load securement regulations.
6. Fuel must be drained from tractors & engines prior to entry to the NDSF Center.
7. The following classes will be offered in agricultural mechanics.

##### DIVISION – RECONDITIONED/RESTORED PROJECTS

1. Reconditioned and restored exhibits must include a display board with background information, pictures, parts list, cost, and hours of self-labor.
2. A “reconditioned tractor” is a tractor returned to operating condition – may be modified from original. A “restored tractor” is a tractor returned to original or as close to original new condition as possible.
3. Fuel must be drained from tractors & engines prior to entry to the NDSF Center. Batteries must be disconnected.
4. NO automotive exhibits. Only agricultural exhibits will be accepted.

CLASS

20 Small Wood – reconditioned

30 Medium Wood – reconditioned

40 Large Wood – reconditioned

50 Extra Large Wood – reconditioned

60 Jumbo Wood – reconditioned

26 Small Metal – reconditioned

36 Medium Metal – reconditioned

46 Large Metal – reconditioned

56 Extra Large Metal – reconditioned

66 Jumbo Metal – reconditioned tractor

66B Jumbo Metal – restored tractor

##### DIVISION – SMALL PROJECTS

CLASS

21 Finished and Non-Finished Wood – Examples:

 Grain Box File Handle Cutting Board

 Birdhouse - Small Folding Stool Plant Press

 Nail/Toolbox Shadow Box Cord Holder

 Hammer Rack Mug Rack Foot Stool

 Trellis Key Holder Name Plates

CLASS CONT.

21 Plant Press Flower Box Pencil Holders

 Poultry Feeder Tote Box Shelves

 Clocks Planter Boot Jack

 Name Signs Spine Board Layered Animals

 Wood Arts projects Small wood burned clocks or intarsia work

23 Metal or Concrete – Examples:

 Chisel Tool Gauge Templates

 Foot Scraper Battery Cable Puller Poultry Feeder

 Feed Scoop Splash Block Eye Bolts

 Patio Blocks Gate Latch Center Punch

 Draw Bar Pins Valve Puller Chipping Hammer

 Branding Irons Funnel Metal Arts Projects

 Hand Cut Plasma designs

24 Electrical Projects – Examples:

Extension Cords Electrode Holder Trouble Lights

Small electronics projects

25 Plumbing – Useful projects made from plumbing materials and plumbing materials joinery methods.

26 Hand Tool Projects – Wood or metal project constructed using hand tools exclusively.

27 Small mechanics projects made with high tech equipment. CNC projects made of metal, wood, or plastic. (Plasma cut signs, 3D projects). Others to be determined by the Screening Committee – 192 square inches and smaller (example would be 12”x16”)

##### DIVISION – MEDIUM PROJECTS

CLASS

31 Finished and Non-Finished Wood – Examples:

 Birdhouse – Martin Shop Stool Workbench

 Sheep Panels Sheep Feeders Lawn Chairs

 Sawhorse Nail and Bolt Cabinet Chairs

 Head Squeeze Tool Cabinet Nightstands

 Plant Ladders Multi-Board Signs Carvings

 Bookcase Gun Rack Saddle Rack

 Cornhole Boards (entered as a set)

 Larger Wood Arts projects Home Improvement Projects

 Single line name signs that are 432 square inches or >

33 Metal or Concrete – Examples:

 Sawhorse Head-Squeeze Weight Bench

 Shop Stool Jack Stand Car Ramp

 Mineral Feeder Planter Cart Trailer Ramp

 Post Driver Hydroponics Table Portable Shop Light

 Barrel Stove Oxyacetylene Cart Tailgate

 C-Clamp Parking Bumper

 Hand Cut Medium Plasma Designs

34 Electrical Projects – Portable shop lights with switches, outlets, and lights.

35 Art of Scrap – Table Top Sculpture (listed on FairEntry, but not book)

36 Medium sized Hand Tool Projects – Wood or metal projects constructed using hand tools exclusively.

37 Medium Sized Mechanics projects produced with High Tech Equipment. >192 square inches and <720 square inches (example would be 24”x 30”)

##### DIVISION – LARGE PROJECTS

CLASS

41 Finished and Non-Finished Wood – Examples:

 Doghouse Calf Stall/Pen Picnic Tables

 Skid Feed Bunk Pickup Rack Pickup Storage Box

 Hay Feeder Loading Chute Dresser

 Desk Entertainment Center Chest/Cedar Chest

 Gun Cabinet Waterbed Frame/Headboard Adirondack Chair

43 Metal or Concrete – examples:

 Bale Mover Hydraulic Press Sheep Fitting Table

 Bale Feeder Corral Panel Cattle Clipping Chute

 Meat Saw Corral Gate Parts Washer

 Calf Stalls Farrowing Crate Greenhouse Table

 Log Splitter Engine Stand Engine Hoist

 Large Plasma Cut Designs

45 Art of Scrap – Floor Sculpture

46 Large Mechanics projects produced with High Tech Equipment. >720 sq. in.

##### DIVISION – X-LARGE PROJECTS

CLASS

51 Wood – Examples:

 Wagon Box Portable Fish house (<60 sq. ft.)

 Bunk-Line Feeder Hopper-Bottom Bin Outhouse

 Small Shed

52 Metal or Concrete – Examples:

 Tandem Livestock Trailer Hopper Bottom Bin Self Feeder

 Wagon Chassis Swather Transport Windrower Transport

 A-Frame Hoist Concrete Bunk Two Horse Trailer

##### DIVISION – JUMBO PROJECTS

CLASS

61 Wood

 Large Buildings (>100 sq. ft.) Fish house (>60 sq. ft.)

62 Metal or Concrete

 Eight Horse Trailer Gooseneck Trailer

**AGRICULTURAL PRODUCE DEPARTMENT**

*Products, Fruit, and Vegetables exhibits are in FFA Hall.*

*Processed Meats exhibits are in Theater, attached to FFA Hall.*

**DIVISION** – **AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

**Honey** – Evaluated on the following criteria: body, density, flavor and aroma, color, clarity, freedom from impurities and with suitable container of correct volume. Attach entry tag with a string tied around the neck of the pint jar.

**Eggs** – Evaluated on size, shape, color, uniformity, shell density and appearance**. Eggs should be brushed or wiped clean with cloth and all stains removed.** Do not wash eggs. Display eggs with pointed end down and rounded end up. Exhibit 1 dozen eggs in a common egg case.

**Preparation of Fleece** – Spread out the fleece on a clean table or floor, skin side down, taking care not to pull or open fleece as it is handled. The fleece will look like a pelt or hide. At this stage, before rolling or tying, remove all heavy tags, stained wool, and obvious foreign matter. Rolling the fleece takes four easy steps: (1) Begin at one side and loosely fold 8” to 10” of the edge toward the center of the fleece. (2) Do the same on the other side, but fold toward the center two times - until the twice folded portion lies on top of the first fold. (3) Fold in the head wool. (4) Roll the entire fleece from the breech toward the shoulder and long side wool. Fleece is now ready to be tied. Using paper fleece twine, wrap it in two directions and tie as you would a package. Do not use baler twine, or colored rope/string as the dye may seep into the fleece, rendering it worthless. There should be no loose ends hanging from the fleece. It should be loose enough to make judging easy yet compact enough to prevent it from falling apart when handled. Exhibit the fleece in a large brown/black/white 30-gallon plastic bag can liner.

1. Members can exhibit one item per class.
2. **Entry Description Required:** Enter brief descriptive information.

**DIVISION** – **AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS**

CLASS

11 Honey (1 pint)

13 Wool (1 fleece-wool or mutton breeds) rams

14 Wool (1 fleece-wool or mutton breeds) ewe

15 Eggs (brown shelled)

16 Eggs (white shelled)

1. Eggs (other)

##### DIVISION – FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

There is a “First Show” and a “Second Show”. FFA Members may exhibit in either or both of the two shows. The First Show entries must be registered by **11:00 a.m**., **Thursday, July 17**. Second Show entries are due by **11:00 a.m.**, **Tuesday, July 22**. Release of First Show will be between 6:00 and 9:00 p.m. on Monday. Exhibits not removed at this time may be donated to a local food pantry.

1. Members are eligible to show **two** exhibits of vegetables and fruit in each class, **but only one per show.** **Entry Description Required:** “**First Show” or “Second Show” must be identified. Enter the variety name, or other descriptions if known.**
2. Fruit and vegetables will be judged on the following criteria: uniformity, maturity, correct number and preparation, full size, good color and shape, firm, free of damage by insects, disease, or mechanical injury.

**Apple:** Stems removed.

**Beans**: Yellow wax or green, Exhibit 12 pods with calyx. (Stem).

**Beets**: May wash, trim tops 1 – 1-½” long, leave tap root. Exhibit 6 beets.

**Broccoli**: Over 3” head diameter, with stock 6” long. Exhibit one head. Remove all leaves.

**Cabbage**: Do not peel excessively. Two layers of sound green outer leaves should be left on. Trim root smooth with the base of the leaves. Exhibit one head. (Loose leaves should be removed).

**Carrots**: Top 1 – 1½” long, may wash and leave tap root. Exhibit 6 carrots.

**Cauliflower**: Trim leaves even with top, remove older leaves, cut stem below last remaining leaf. Exhibit 1 head.

**Celery**: Trim leaves uniformly, cut root even with stalk. Exhibit 1 plant.

**Cucumbers**: Wipe clean, leave ½” stem. Exhibit 6 pickling cucumbers. Three slicing cucumbers.

**Dill**: Trim to a 4” stem, exhibit 6 tied seed-bearing heads.

**Egg Plant**: Clean with soft cloth. Exhibit 1 eggplant. Keep 1" stem.

**Garlic**: 1” stem, trim root to 1” of bulb. Exhibit 6 garlic.

**Herbs**: Exhibit 3 Plants – washed roots. Wrap roots in wet paper towel, cover in plastic.

**Kohlrabi**: Use entire plant, strip off leaves. Exhibit 3. Cut root to 1”.

**Lettuce (head)**: Use entire plant, trim older outer leaves, leave root, wrap root in wet paper towel and cover with plastic. Exhibit 1 plant.

**Lettuce (leaf)**: Exhibit 3 plants. Discard old leaves. Wrap root in wet paper towel and cover with plastic.

**Melons**: Muskmelon stems removed. Exhibit 1 melon.

**Onions** **(red, yellow, or white)**: Remove only one layer of skin, do not wash, leave 1 to 1-½” stem; however, do not injure bulb, trim roots to ¾”. Exhibit 6 onions or plants.

**Onions (green)**: Trim tops to 3” long, remove outer covering on white bulb, overall length of 6 – 8”, trim root to ¾” from bulb. Exhibit 1 bunch (6 onions per bunch tied in the middle).

**Parsnips**: Cut tops 1 – 1-½”, leave tap root. Exhibit 3 parsnips.

**Peas**: Exhibit 12 pods with calyx (stem).

**Peppers (Bell)**: Leave ½ - 1” stem. Can be green or red. Ex.) Exhibit 3 banana peppers.

**Peppers (Hot)**: Leave ½” stem. Exhibit 6 peppers. Can be Chili's, Jalapeno's, etc.

**Peppers (Sweet)**:Leave ½ - 1” stem. Can be green or red. Ex.) Exhibit 3 sweet peppers.

**Potatoes (red, russet, white, or yellow)**: Brush or wipe off with soft cloth, can be washed but do not scrub. Exhibit 6 potatoes.

**Pumpkin**: Exhibit 1 mature pumpkin, leave 1 – 1½" stem

**Radishes** **(globe or icicle)**: Leave ½" top growth and tap root. Exhibit 6 radishes.

**Rhubarb**: Trim so 2” of leaf blade remains attached to stalks, do not remove ends. Exhibit 1 bunch (Tie 6 stalks at each end and at center)

**Rutabaga**: Cut tops to 1 to 1½”, leave tap root. Exhibit 3 rutabaga.

**Spinach**: Plants with washed roots – 3 plants – wrap roots in wet paper towel, cover in plastic.

**Squash**: Clean with soft cloth, leave 1" stem. Summer – Zucchini type – less than 8"- exhibit 3, over 8" exhibit 1. Winter – Buttercup type - mature, exhibit 1.

**Sweet corn**: Do not remove husks, trim silk to within 1 inch of top of husk, shank 1 to 2 inches long. Exhibit 3 ears.

**Swiss Chard**: Use entire plant, trim older outer leaves, leave root, wrap root in a wet paper towel and cover with plastic. Exhibit 3 plants.

**Tomatoes**: Remove stems. Exhibit 6 large fruits or 12 cherry type. Green or ripe

**Turnips**: Cut tops to 1 – 1½”, leave tap root. Exhibit 3 turnips.

**Watermelons**: 1 – 1½” stem. Exhibit 1 melon.

**All Fruit Classes**: Exhibit 1 pint of small fruit and 12 fruits of large cherries and large fruit. (**Remove stems from all fruit except strawberries.**)

##### DIVISION – FRUITS

CLASS

11 Juneberries (1 pint)

12 Gooseberries (1 pint)

13 Raspberries (1 pint)

14 Strawberries (1 pint)

15 Crabapples (12 crabapples)

16 Apples (6 fruits)

17 Plums (12 fruits)

18 Cherries all varieties (1 pint)

19 Choke Cherries (1 pint)

20 Pears (6 fruits)

21 Any other variety **(same quantity as similar size vegetables above)**. **Variety name and quantity must be entered in the entry description.**

**DIVISION – VEGETABLES**

**No Canned or Preserved Products**

CLASS

11 Beans, yellow wax (12 pods)

12 Beans, green (12 pods)

13 Beets (6 beets)

14 Broccoli (1 head)

15 Cabbage (1 head)

16 Carrots (6 carrots)

CLASS CONT.

17 Cauliflower (1 head)

18 Celery (1 plant)

19 Cucumbers (6 pickling)

20 Cucumbers (3 slicers)

21 Dill (6 heads)

22 Egg Plant (1 specimen)

23 Garlic (6 bulbs)

24 Sweet Corn (3 ears)

25 Melons (1 melon) (musk or honeydew)

26 Potatoes Red (6)

27 Potatoes White (6)

28 Potatoes Russets (6)

29 Potatoes Yukon Gold (6)

30 Kohlrabi (3 bulbs)

31 Lettuce – head (1 head)

32 Lettuce – leaf (3 plants)

33 Lettuce – Romaine

34 Onions – (green table bulb) (6 onions)

35 Onions – White (6 onions)

36 Onions – Yellow (6 onions)

37 Onions – Red (6 onions)

38 Parsnips (3 roots)

39 Peas – Green Pods (12 pods)

40 Peas – Edible Pods (12 pods)

41 Peppers – Bell (3 bell peppers)

42 Peppers – Hot (6 peppers)

43 Peppers – Sweet (3 sweet peppers)

44 Pumpkin (1)

45 Radish – Red (6 radishes)

46 Radish – White (6 radishes)

47 Rutabaga (3 roots)

48 Rhubarb (6 stalks)

49 Spinach (3 plants)

50 Squash – Summer (3)

51 Squash – Winter (1)

52 Swiss Chard (3 plants)

53 Tomatoes (6 large)

54 Tomatoes – Cherry (12)

55 Turnips (3 roots)

56 Watermelon – mature (1)

57 Herbs (3 plants)

58 Any other variety **(same quantity as similar size vegetables above)**. **Variety name and quantity must be entered in the entry description.**

**DIVISION – PROCESSED MEATS**

*Exhibits are in Theater (refrigerated items in the coolers), attached to FFA Hall.*

1. Members can exhibit one item per class.
2. **Entry Description Required:** Enter brief descriptive information.
3. All entries must be fully cooked (internal temperature of at least 155° F or 165° F for Poultry, Wild Game Birds, and Waterfowl) and ready to eat.
4. Products are to be prepared utilizing the standards of the USDA and the North Dakota Department of Agriculture quality standards.
5. Products must be refrigerated at all times and must be transported frozen or packed on ice.
6. Products will not be returned to the member at the conclusion of the show.
7. All samples are to be displayed on a plastic plate in a clear, Ziploc bag. Minimum display size shall be:
	1. 5 ounces of jerked meat product.
	2. 6 Meat Sticks (min. 6” in length, max 25 mm casing diameter)
	3. 6 ounces Summer Sausage (2-5” diameter casings)
8. A list of primary ingredients, herbs, spices, & additions **must be attached.**

CLASS

11 Beef Jerky – Natural

12 Beef Jerky – Ground Meat

13 Other Meat Jerky – Natural (Including domesticated species of wildlife.)

14 Other Meat Jerky – Ground Meat (Including domesticated

 species of wildlife.)

15 Jerked Fish & Poultry

16 Wild Game Jerky – Natural (All wild species: Deer, Elk, Antelope, Moose, All Game Birds, etc.)

17 Wild Game Jerky – Ground Meat (All wild species: Deer, Elk, Antelope, Moose, All Game Birds, etc.)

21 Beef Snack Sticks

22 Other Meat Snack Sticks (Including domesticated species of wildlife.)

23 Meat & Cheese Sticks

24 Poultry Snack Sticks

25 Wild Game Snack Sticks (All Species, Deer, Elk, Antelope, Moose, All Game Birds, etc.)

31 Beef Summer Sausage

32 Other Meat Summer Sausage (Including domesticated species of wildlife.)

33 Meat & Cheese Summer Sausage

34 Poultry Summer Sausage

35 Wild Game Summer Sausage (All Species: Deer, Elk, Antelope, Moose, All Game Birds, etc.)

**EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT**

*Exhibits are in Theater, attached to FFA Hall.*

1. All exhibits must meet size requirements and be education in design and function.
2. A member or group of members from the same chapter can exhibit one item per class.
3. A member or group of members from the same chapter may prepare an educational display on any part of the Agricultural/Agriscience instructional program. Examples of displays are: pipe fitting exercise, electrical displays, livestock information, crop information, horticulture practices, model buildings, model feed lots, etc.
4. Each educational display must convey a clear message that informs the observer and be of an Agricultural Education pathway (Wedding Planner, Dentist, and Physician, etc. are not agricultural careers.
5. Front to back printing of PowerPoints, etc. is considered two pages.
6. A display board cannot be on ‘poster board’. It must be on a hard-board material, bi-fold, or tri-fold.
7. If a poster display does not meet size requirements it will be dropped a ribbon or disqualified. This will be determined by the superintendent.
8. Tags must be placed on the front of a display.
9. **Educational Display Scoring Criteria:**

Information Presented – Mounting Method Used – Time Taken to Prepare Item

Proper Preparation Techniques – Educational Value – General Appearance

DIVISION – AGRISCIENCE, ECOLOGY &

NATURAL RESOURCE SCIENCES

CLASS

10 Computer Generated Poster Displays (maximum size 22" x 28" minimum size 11” x 17”). A poster display that conveys a clear message to inform the observer. (Examples: see lot 11) Includes brochures to be exhibited.

10a Hand Drawn Poster Displays (maximum size 22" x 28" minimum size 11” x 17”). A poster display that conveys a clear message to inform the observer. (Examples: see lot 11) Includes brochures to be exhibited.

11 Notebook or Scrapbook display and Computer-Generated Identification Aids – a collection (minimum 10 pages) of information on a specific theme. Examples: domestic animals, wildlife, weeping watersheds, prairie potholes, aquatic plants, waterfowl nesting structures, habitat planning, bird and bat houses, forest production, soils, grazing management plans, insects, animal or plant anatomy, gardening plans, breeds of livestock, etc**.** Information must be presented to convey a clear message to the observer. No PowerPoints.

12 Identification Aids (10 examples) Once living material, one example per page. Items are made to assist in identifying, or as examples of type. Examples: Range, Crop or Weed mounts, Crop Pest Collections, Leaf Mounts etc. each item is individually mounted and identified.

13 Educational Agribusiness Set – a set of 20 or more samples and cost breakdown to assist in budgeting for a project and/or event. Examples: floral arrangements and corsage & boutonnieres examples and cost for a wedding, anniversary, funeral, etc. Landscape plants, flowers, trees, shrubs, etc. for a landscaping project. Note: Must contain 20 samples that focus on the agricultural aspect of the event/project.

14 Educational Aid Set – a set of once living materials, a collection of 20 or more samples. Example: set of range, crop, or weed mounts or seed sets, set of market factors for soybeans, wheat, and barley. Each sample is labeled and identified and mounted on pages or in display units less than 2’ x 2’

15 Computer Generated Board Displays (2' x 2' or larger). Items mounted on hardboard display board(s), bi-fold or tri-fold tabletop displays, or bulletin boards. **Each must convey a clear message to the observer.**

15a Hand Drawn Board Displays (2' x 2' or larger). Items mounted on hardboard display board(s), bi-fold or tri-fold tabletop displays, or bulletin boards. **Each must convey a clear message to the observer.**

16 Wildlife Habitat Improvement Structures – exhibit item along with information on the value of this exhibit to ecology. Example: Nesting structure composed of natural or recycled materials.

17 3-D Displays and Models. Items created for an educational purpose. Example: Dioramas, anatomical structures, educational aids, etc.

**DIVISION – LANDSCAPE AND FARMSTEAD**

1. All plans are to be drawn on any weight paper, minimum size 11" x 17", maximum 22” x 28”.
2. All designs are to include a complete key or legend identifying the materials used in the drawing, including the scale used in the drawing.
3. The evaluation of the design by the judge will be based on the following:
	1. Neatness
	2. Plant Selection
	3. Plant/Building Arrangements
	4. Completeness
	5. Must be drawn to scale. The landscape designs must be an original design.
4. Farmstead plans should also include: Building/Enterprise Area Identification, Plant & Materials legend, and a Moderate landscape plan of all appropriate buildings.

CLASS

20 Special Feature/Site Plan

21 Computer Generated Design

22 Landscape Design

23 Farmstead Plan

**DIVISION – SAFETY EXHIBITS**

CLASS

30 Poster (minimum 11"x 17" size, maximum 22” x 28”) detailing agricultural safety topic such as: agricultural mechanics, food science, and animal science.

31 Exhibit details farm & shop safety hazards & corrective/preventive measures.

34 Board Display or 3-D Display (2' x 2' or larger) Items/information mounted on hardboard display board(s), bi-fold or tri-fold tabletop displays, bulletin boards. Also, may include: wiring or plumbing walls with labeling of parts, description of type of controls or pipe joinery methods, etc. Each must convey a clear message to the observer.

### DIVISION – TECHNOLOGY EDUCATIONAL

CLASS

40 Posters (minimum 11" x 17", maximum 22” x 28”) that details ag mechanics technology and informs the observer.

41 Computer Aided Drafted Plans – project plans prepared using a computer drafting program.

42 Mechanical/Computer Drafted Plans & Project Display – project plans display would consist of an exhibit that provides all the necessary information to complete this project. If it does not have all six areas, it will be judged as class 41 or disqualified if deemed it does not fit in that class. It would include:

1. An original, quality, draw-to-scale plan
2. A bill of materials with costs
3. A detailed set of directions to follow in construction of project.
4. All materials contained within a folder or scrapbook to include drawings and title based on intended use.
5. The finished product (if practical.)
6. CNC Created Items: Coding

44 Board Displays/Technology Displays (2' x 2' or larger) bi-fold or tri-fold, tabletop or bulletin board display of agricultural mechanics technology use, equipment etc., and must include information/instructions that inform the observer. Examples: wood types, knots, engine parts, computer components, electricity, etc.

47 Model Buildings – member or group of members from the same chapter may prepare and display model buildings and/or feeder lots as a part of the model buildings educational displays. Indicate scale used in construction of model buildings. Labeling of parts, itemization of costs of full-scale building, etc. is required to enhance the educational value of these displays. Judges may divide this group into sub-lots based on construction. Model footprint = 120 – 480 square inches.

48 Large Model Buildings – member or group of members from the same chapter may prepare and display model buildings and/or feeder lots as a part of the model buildings educational displays. Indicate scale used in construction of model buildings. Labeling of parts, itemization of costs of full-scale building, etc. is required to enhance the educational value of these displays. Judges may divide this group into sub-lots based on construction. Model footprint = greater than 480 square inches.

**DIVISION – CHAPTER LEADERSHIP**

CLASS

50 Poster Displays or SAE scrapbooks (minimum size 11" x 17", maximum size 22” x 28”) that clearly informs the observer about FFA Activities, Ag Careers, SAE programs, etc., that are the result of a student’s research, experiences, or program participation.

53 Proficiency or Career Presentations – members may prepare a presentation of activities associated with their SAE (Supervised Agricultural Experience Program) leading toward application for proficiency awards. Indicate proficiency area of interest. Career presentations may be exhibited that are the result of a student’s investigation of a specific agricultural career. Presentations must be at least 10 pages.

58 Large Displays, Chapter Displays, or an Official Chapter Scrapbook Display showing FFA in action, that promote the local chapter, are used to recruit members, or demonstrate an aspect of agriculture, agriscience, etc. May be mounted on boards, tabletop display, and include photos, pamphlets, etc.

59 Chapter Educational Display - made by an FFA member or chapter that informs the public about value-adding agricultural industry in North Dakota. The display should be the result of researching and documenting a specific aspect of the ag industry, or a specific value adding company or process such as: Pasta Processing, Sugar beet Processing, Bison Processing, Potato Processing, Straw-board Manufacturing, Equipment Manufacturing, etc. (4’ x 6’ minimum size)

### DIVISION – TEACHING AIDES

CLASS

60 Agricultural related PowerPoints containing a minimum of 10 or more subject matter content slides. In addition to, each exhibit must contain a title slide and a minimum of one correctly works cited/sources slide.

62 Agricultural related PowerPoints containing a minimum of 20 or more subject matter content slides. In addition to, each exhibit must contain a title slide and a minimum of one correctly works cited/sources slide.

**DIVISION – AGRISCIENCE FAIR**

The exhibits provide the opportunity for students who are studying the application of scientific principles and emerging technologies in Agriculture to achieve recognition for their accomplishments in Agriscience. Students are provided the opportunity to display Agriscience projects that are products of their Agriscience courses and exhibit an agriculture theme. The categories represent the National FFA Agriscience Fair Categories. Specific rules/guidelines for Agriscience project displays are available on the National FFA website ([www.ffa.org](http://www.ffa.org)). Agriscience displays must include the following: 1. Question 2. Procedure 3. Conclusion

CLASS

SF1 This class is for FFA members who have completed grades 7 and 8 in the previous school term.

SF2 This class is for FFA members who have completed grades 9 and 10 in the previous school term.

SF3 This class is for FFA members who have completed grades 11 and 12 in the previous school term.

SF1T This class is for teams of two FFA members who have completed grades 7 and 8 in the previous school term.

SF2T This class is for teams of two FFA members who have completed grades 9 and 10 in the previous school term.

SF3T This class is for teams of two FFA members who have completed grades 11 and 12 in the previous school term.

**Categories**

1. Animal Systems
2. Environmental Services/Natural Resource Systems
3. Food Products and Processing Systems
4. Plant Systems
5. Power, Structural and Technical Systems
6. Social Science

**Display Rules**

1. The display must consist of a stable, free-standing display board on the provided table top not to exceed the provided dimensions: 36” high (from top of table to top of display), 48” wide, 30” deep (the distance from front to back). No props, logbooks, handouts, or electronics are permitted. No tablets, iPads, cell phones, or other electronic devices will be permitted.

2. A team is a maximum of two members working cooperatively on the same project. Displays must reflect the current year’s work only and shall be the result of the student(s) own efforts. Successive year projects must indicate change or growth in the project from the previous year(s) in the project log books.

3. Exhibits are to be labeled by class and category. Example: **SFJ – A** equals a 7 and 8 grade exhibit in Animal Systems. All projects must have the following information attached to the upper right-hand corner of the exhibit: Name of person(s) responsible for developing the project, Chapter Name, State, Class entered, and Category entered.

4. See the National FFA Agriscience Fair Handbook for required project components and display safety rules. The handbook, application etc. is located on the National FFA website ([www.ffa.org](http://www.ffa.org)).

5. One Grand and Reserve Champion overall Agriscience Fair Exhibit will be selected.

**FIELD CROP DEPARTMENT**

*Crop exhibits are located in FFA Hall.*

##### DIVISION – GRAIN SHEAVES

1. All grain sheaves must be prepared from the **2024 or 2025** crop.

2. Members can exhibit one item per class.

3. **Entry Description Required**: Enter the variety. Enter the crop and variety for the miscellaneous/other classes.

**To make a small grain sheaf** - Select uniform high-quality plants and cut them off close to the roots so as to get the full length of the straw. Spread the grain plants out in a sheltered area and allow to dry for one day. Strip off all leaves, taking care not to break the straw in handling. Form a core of 30 to 40 stems, and then place the other stems around the core to form a sheaf with a seven – nine-inch circumference (around) at a point halfway between the heads and the butt. Sheaves measuring under seven inches circumference will be disqualified. Tie the bundle firmly in at least **three** places, using cord which will not cut the straw. Form the crown (head) in a rounded shape by moving the core up and down. Cut off the butt squarely. Tie ribbon around the sheaf (covering the cord) and hang the sheaf with heads down until exhibited.

**To make a forage/hay sheaf**/**bundle** – Select the leafiest type to be found in the field and cut close to the ground. Do not strip a single leaf or branch from the stem as forage should retain its color and leaves. In making up show bundles, select those individual stems that have retained the most and best leaves with their color. Make bundles from four to six inches in diameter (across) or 9 - 12 inches in circumference (around) at a point halfway up the stem. Tie securely in **three** or **four** places. Sheaves/bundles measuring under nine inches in circumference will be disqualified. For forage judged on seed production, select stalks showing maximum seed development. Do not present samples which are excessively dry.

**Field corn, Sunflower** – corn sheaves must contain six stalks tied in four places. Sunflower sheaves must contain six stalks with leaves stripped and again tied in four places. (remove roots)

**Crambe/Canola** – displayed with lower leaves stripped, seven – nine-inch circumference, tie in three places.**Safflower** – sheaves must contain at least 12 stalks with lower leaves stripped. Tie in three places.

**Field Beans, Soybeans, Field Peas –** Leaves should remain on the stem and the bundle should be 10 to 12 inches in circumference. Tie the bundle in three places.

**Flax –** Strip lower leaves only

##### DIVISION – GRAIN SHEAVES

CLASS

11 Hard Red Spring Wheat

12 Hard Red Winter Wheat

13 Durum Wheat

14 Flax

15 Barley

16 Oats

17 Rye

1. Field Corn (6 stalks)
2. Field Beans
3. Canola
4. Field Peas
5. Soybeans
6. Other Crops – **Entry Description: Enter Crop & Variety**

The following forage sheaves will be judged for forage/hay production.

CLASS

31 Alfalfa

32 Sweet clover

33 Brome grass

34 Other grasses

35 Sudan grass

36 Miscellaneous forage production-**Entry Description: Enter Crop & Variety**

The following sheaves will be judged for seed production.

CLASS

41 Alfalfa for seed

42 Sweet clover for seed

43 Grasses for seed

1. Sunflower (6 stalks-leaves stripped)
2. Miscellaneous seed production – **Entry Description: Enter Crop & Variety**

##### DIVISION – THRESHED GRAIN

1. All grain exhibits must be grown in **2023 or 2024** and be prepared by the exhibitor.
2. Members can exhibit one item per class.
3. Members are eligible to exhibit grain produced as part of their SAE program. First year members and other members who did not produce grain as a part of their SAE program may prepare and exhibit one grain sample in each crop area.
4. **Entry Description Required:** Enter the variety. Enter the crop and variety for the miscellaneous/other classes.
5. Entry size: one quart
6. Ziploc bags are preferred for display. Acceptable seal bags for display must be new, clean, and clear (bag brand name is face down, clear side up with entry tag).

CLASS

51 Hard Red Spring Wheat

52 Hard Red Winter Wheat

53 Durum Wheat

54 Flax

55 Malting Barley

56 Feed Barley (includes 2-row)

57 Oats

58 Rye

59 Soybean

60 Field Peas

61 Pinto Beans

62 White Beans, or MSC (colored) edible field beans

63 Black Turtle Beans

64 MSC Legumes (Alfalfa, Sweet clover, Lentils, Lupines, etc.)

65 Grasses

66 Millet

67 Shelled Corn

68 Sunflower (Confectionery varieties)

69 Sunflower (Oil varieties)

70 Canola

71 Crambe

72 Miscellaneous (5 or more entries constitute a separate sub-class) – **Entry Description: Enter Crop & Variety**

##### FLORICULTURE DEPARTMENT

*Exhibits are in Theater, attached to FFA Hall.*

Removed single entry limitation

1. Live plants, either floral or foliage, may be used in making floral arrangements. Live plants may be used entirely or in conjunction with dried, artificial, or fresh cut flowers and materials. Arrangements must be prepared by the member.

2. Floral arrangements may be prepared before arrival or at the exhibit site. The flowers may be purchased or grown by the exhibitor. Dried or silk exhibits may only be shown once at the NDSF.

3. An ‘arrangement’ is expected to be in oasis or foam. Flowers in a vase are to be arranged loosely in the proper vase.

4. Aesthetics, wearability, functionality, and the container will be taken into placing consideration.

5. **Arrangement types need to be designated under Entry Description**. The arrangement types are: round, oval, fan, triangle, right angle, inverted-T, vertical, horizontal, diagonal, crescent, Hogarth curve.

6. If there are special instructions for live plants, please leave with the arrangement.

7. All exhibit tags **must be attached** to the container and not laid on the flowers.

8. All corsages and boutonnieres **must be displayed** in a designated clear plastic flower box or plastic floral bag. **No Ziploc plastic bags or similar brand name of a seal bag.**

**DIVISION – DRIED**

CLASS

46 Wall Hanging

48 Arrangement

**DIVISION – MIXED MEDIA**

CLASS

53 Boutonniere

54 Corsage

55 Small Arrangement

56 Wall Hanging

57 Wristlet/Hairpiece

58 Large Arrangement – >10” Vase

**DIVISION – FRESH FLORAL**

CLASS

61 Single Bud Vase

62 2-3 Bud Vase

63 Boutonniere

64 Corsage

65 Small Arrangement

67 Wristlet/Hairpiece

68 Large Arrangement – >10” Vase

**DIVISION – SILK**

CLASS

71 Single Bud Vase

72 2-3 Bud Vase

73 Boutonniere

74 Corsage

75 Small Arrangement

76 Wall Hanging

77 Wristlet/Hairpiece

78 Large Arrangement – >10” Vase

**DIVISION – EVENT/SPECIALTY**

CLASS

80 Tropical Arrangement

86 Wedding Arch/Wall Hanging

88 Centerpiece

89 Bouquet

**HORTICULTURE DEPARTMENT**

*Exhibits are in the Lower Concourse NDSF Atrium.*

1. A member may exhibit more than one significantly different project or plant in the same class. This excludes plants of the same species. Ex: Red Geraniums and White Geraniums are not significantly unlike, but Variegated Peperomia and Watermelon Peperomia are different species. All members are eligible to participate in all classes. Remove all stickers/ribbons from previous shows.
2. Chapters are limited to exhibiting 15 plants per member.
3. Tags placed on plants need to have an FFA member name & common plant name.
4. **Inspectors will evaluate plants before they are judged and placed on display.** All plants will go through a quality check point before placement on tables for judging and display. If a plant is disqualified for a quality concern and is in a flat, the entire flat that the plant was transported in will be disqualified. The plants that do not meet the quality standards will not be allowed to remain in the NDSF Atrium and must be taken home or disposed of.
5. **Exhibits must be properly prepared and must meet the following criteria:**
	1. Plants must be in the ownership of the member exhibiting the plants for the three months prior to the NDSF.
	2. Pot size minimum is 3½”.
	3. One parent plant per pot.
	4. Plants must be well rooted in a container appropriate for the size of the plant and able to stand freely.
	5. Plants must not be root-bound or pot-bound.
	6. Plants must be clean of dead foliage, flowers, and stems.
	7. Plants must be free of weeds, diseases, insects, and insect damage.
	8. The plant exhibit is judged on the quality of the plant and display.
	9. Plant vegetation must fill the pot according to the size of the pot.
	10. Use 8” plastic stakes. No soda straws.
	11. Staple the entry tag upside down and directly above the exhibitor number.
	12. 2” of the plastic stake should be covered. Do not damage the barcode.
	13. Align entry tags back-to-back in rows in the flats. A 3x6 flat should only have two rows of tags and a 4x5 flat should have two rows of five.
6. Project class designation may be changed by the superintendent. Appeals concerning class placement, awards or disqualifications must be made within 24 hours upon completion of judging.

7. All plants must arrive by **11:00 a.m.** on **Thursday, July 17**

8. Each class may be assigned a Grand Champion and Reserve Champion ribbon upon the discretion of the Horticulture Superintendent.

**DIVISION– POTTED PLANTS**

CLASS

11 Small Indoor Flowering (Kalanchoe, African Violet, etc. in <5.5” pot)

12 Small Outdoor Flowering (Geranium, Begonia, etc. in <5.5” pot)

14 Medium Indoor Flowering (Kalanchoe, African Violet etc. in 5.5” or > pot)

15 Medium Outdoor Flowering (Geranium, Begonia, etc. in 5.5” or > pot)

**DIVISION – PATIO/DECK PLANTER**

CLASS

21 Single Variety Patio Pot > 8” inch pot – 1 or 2 species

24 Planter – Foliage or Flowering minimum 3 species & less than 115 sq. in.

25 Planter – Succulent minimum 3 species & less than 115 sq. in.

26 Large succulent, flowering, or foliage planter – minimum 4 species & more than 115 sq. in.

**DIVISION – CACTUS & SUCCULENTS (potted)**

CLASS

31 Small Cactus – < 5.5" pot < 12" vegetative total height

32 Small Succulents – ex. Jade – <5.5” pot

33 Christmas/Easter/Thanksgiving Cactus – <5.5” pot

34 Large Cactus – 5.5” pot or greater

35 Large Succulents – 5.5” pot or greater

36 Grafted Cactus – Must be grafted by the member.

**DIVISION – FOLIAGE PLANTS (potted)**

CLASS

41 Small Foliage Plants – < 5.5” pot

45 Large Foliage – 5.5" – 12" pot & 12” – 24” vegetative growth

46 Jumbo Foliage – > 12" pot & > 24” vegetative growth

**DIVISION – LIVE ARRANGEMENTS**

CLASS

56 Terrariums

57 Mini Gardens (> 144 sq.in.) (ex. Fairy Gardens, minimum of 4 species, must include decorations).

58 Bonsai

**DIVISION – HANGING BASKETS**

CLASS

64 Indoor Hanging Basket (Pothos, Spider Plant, etc. and must be able to hang)

65 Outdoor Flowering Hanging Basket (Ivy Geranium, Fuchsia etc. and must be able to hang)

**LIVESTOCK & STATIC LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT**

EXHIBITOR ENTRY REQUIREMENT

Entry constitutes agreement with all FFA polices, NDSF policies, health requirements policies, drug screen policies, animal welfare policies, and the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics as printed in the open class livestock exhibitor book on the NDSF website at [www.ndstatefair.com](http://www.ndstatefair.com).

**HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR LIVESTOCK**

All FFA Livestock and Static Livestock exhibitors must read and abide by the health requirements established by the NDSF and NDSF Veterinarian.Reference the open class livestock exhibitor book on the NDSF website at [www.ndstatefair.com](http://www.ndstatefair.com)

**Decisions made by the NDSF Veterinarian are final.** All animals will be inspected by the NDSF veterinarian prior to exiting the trailer. Animals showing evidence of infectious skin/eye/foot lesions will be immediately dismissed**.**

FFA Livestock & Static Livestockexhibitors are encouraged to have their animals inspected by a veterinarian prior to arriving to the NDSF. No health certificate is required.

DRUG SCREEN POLICY

**Decisions made by the NDSF Board of Directors and Veterinarian are final.** Reference the open class livestock exhibitor book on the NDSF website at [www.ndstatefair.com](http://www.ndstatefair.com).

The Drug Screen Policy will be enforced at the 2025 State Fair. Grand and Reserve Champion market beef, swine, lamb and goats will be subjected to a drug screen immediately following completion of judging. This drug screen may include tests for detection of the following: (1) Steroids (2) Tranquilizers (3) Antibiotics (4) Diuretics (5) Sulfas (6) Non-Steroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs) (7) Stimulants. Any animal with a positive test will be deemed unworthy and penalized as follows:

1. Disqualification of animal

2. Forfeit of premiums

3. Exhibitor banned from exhibiting the species the following year

If, for some reason, an exhibitor has an animal that has been administered any drug **within 45 days of the show**, the exhibitor must present a veterinarian’s signed statement to the species superintendent at arrival check-in. This statement must include:

(1) Reason for treatment

(2) Antibiotics used plus dosage and frequency

(3) Date of last treatment.

ANIMAL WELFARE STATEMENT

FFA and the NDSF expects humane treatment of animals. Abuse will not be tolerated. All exhibitors are responsible for the welfare of their animals. Exhibitors are expected to provide adequate feed, water, bedding, and housing for the comfort of their animals at their own expense. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to plan for appropriate care if they are unable to be present.

The comfort and safety of the animal must be provided during the NDSF, and livestock shows. Exhibitors are expected to handle their animals in a gentle and calm manner and not create undue excitement in the vicinity of other livestock or persons.

LIVESTOCK & STATIC LIVESTOCK ENTRY AND SHOW RULES

1. All livestock, poultry, and rabbit exhibits must be entered into FairEntry for stall/pen/cage placement by the date listed in the schedule of FFA events. Late entries will not have stall/pen/cage guarantees.
2. Exhibits must be approved and entered in FairEntry by the chapter FFA advisor. Exhibitors must check-in with division superintendents during the posted time in the FFA schedule of events.
3. Enter all livestock entries in accordance with the breed, division, and classes listed in FairEntry and the FFA Activities & Premium List. If a recognized breed is not listed, a class may be made upon discretion of the superintendent.
4. Livestock must be owned by and entered in the name of the individual, the individual’s immediate family or the individual’s immediate family’s ranch name. Copies of registration papers must be presented at check-in with superintendent. Exhibitors not providing documentation must show animals in a ‘crossbred’, ‘commercial’ or ‘grade’ class.
5. Livestock must be owned by June 1st, 2025 and have an official identification tag.
6. Individuals showing without ownership must present a copy of their SAE agreement from their SAE record book at entry and are limited to a total of 4 animals (2 male, 2 female) per species. The SAE agreement must show evidence of an on-going SAE program (SAE for the duration of the NDSF only is not acceptable). Members already showing their own animals are not allowed to exhibit additional animals owned by another breeder under an SAE agreement.
7. All animals must be presented for judging and all animals must be shown by the exhibitor unless permission is granted by the superintendent prior to the show. Additional animals in final drives or classes may be shown by another FFA member exhibiting an animal project at the NDSF and must follow the exhibitor dress code. Prior approval must be given by the superintendent.
8. The FFA Livestock Committee has the authority to disqualify exhibitors and entries and not award premiums for entries that are inferior or unworthy, not properly cared for, miss show times, miss weigh-in times, and do not follow NDSF & FFA policies.
9. Classes may be split upon the decision of the superintendent. Showmanship for Beef, Dairy, Dairy Goats, Meat or Hair Goats, Sheep, and Swine, will precede all classes.
10. All FFA livestock exhibitors are expected to display an FFA livestock exhibitor stall card and ribbons won in their pen/stall until release times are reached.
11. All FFA livestock exhibitors must wear an FFA exhibitor's number while showing their livestock during the FFA Livestock Shows and Showmanship Contests. If no number is worn, exhibitor will drop one ribbon premium placing.
12. FFA livestock and dairy exhibitor's dress code is a collared white shirt or collared FFA shirt, dark blue or black jeans/slacks. **No** t-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, hats, or caps. Proper/safe shoes are recommended. Exhibitors will be dropped one ribbon premium placing for dress code violations.
13. 4-H and FFA beef will be stalled in the Expo Barn unless they are also entered in an open show, in which case they will be stalled with their breed.
14. Hay and straw may be purchased at the NDSF. Beef stalled in the Expo Barn must use wood chip or sand bedding provided by the NDSF for 4-H and FFA Exhibitors. No straw will be allowed in beef stalls.
15. No fans or fan stands of any type will be allowed in aisles of the livestock barns.
16. Livestock tie-out is at 6:30 p.m. Livestock must be back in the barns by 8:00 a.m.
17. Exhibitors need a Livestock Load/Unload pass to enter the NDSF with livestock. All vehicles used to transport livestock and/or RV’s must have a valid auto pass. Vehicles without passes will be towed at the owner’s expense. Vehicle passes must be requested in advance of the first day of the NDSF. They are not available at the gate. Due to limited parking, livestock trailers will be required to park off grounds. The free parking lot is located east of the NDSF – East of 27th St. SE. – North Side of 4th Ave. SE.
18. All livestock exhibits must be in place and stay through the appropriate scheduled time found in the schedule of FFA events unless arrangements are otherwise made and approved by the NDSF management. An individual exhibitors’ release time is based on the distance they live from Minot and the shows they participate in:
	1. Open class sheep and beef, entered on Friday and not showing 4-H/FFA release at 6:00 p.m. Monday.
	2. Open class sheep and beef and showing for 4-H/FFA, release at 6:00 p.m. the day of their last show.
	3. Open class swine & dairy, all livestock showing in 4-H/FFA, arriving after 1:00 p.m. Sunday (by 11:00 a.m. Tuesday) – release Saturday on the following schedule:
		1. Those who live within 50 miles would release at 6:00 p.m. Saturday.
		2. Those who live 51-100 miles away release at 5:00 p.m. Saturday.
		3. Those who live 101-150 miles away release at 4:00 p.m. Saturday.
		4. Those who live more than 150 miles away release at 3:00 p.m. Saturday.

##### ROUND ROBIN SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

1. A Grand and Reserve Champion Showman will be selected from the individuals in the Round Robin. The Grand Champion Overall Round Robin Showman receives a Baby Bison award and $250.00 from the ND FFA Foundation.
2. Two individuals from Lot 61 will be selected to represent each livestock division in the Round Robin on **Saturday at 8:00 a.m.** All competing individuals will show all divisions of livestock present in the Round Robin Showmanship.
3. FFA livestock exhibitors who have graduated from high school are eligible to participate in the FFA Showmanship for each division and the Round Robin until the **first** National FFA Convention following graduation from high school.
4. An individual is ineligible to participate if they have previously won the Grand Champion Round Robin Showmanship Award.
5. Those individuals not meeting age/graduation eligibility or have previously won the Grand Champion Round Robin Showmanship Award are eligible to participate in Lot 62 showmanship but are not eligible for Round Robin Showmanship.
6. Exhibitors must follow the FFA Exhibitor's Dress Code and is a part of the scoring.
7. The contest will consist of a preliminary contest in each qualified division of the livestock show. This includes beef, dairy, dairy goat, meat goat, sheep, and swine. The animal shown in showmanship classes and the round robin must be the same animal shown by the exhibitor winning their respective FFA division/class.
8. Each individual will be judged on the correct fitting job and the overall preparation and appearance of their animal in the Preliminary Contest and the Round Robin.
9. Each contestant will start with a different species (not their own) and will rotate as directed by the ring steward. Contestants will show both animals of each species for a total of three minutes and thirty seconds. This procedure will be followed until each contestant has shown all species of livestock and returned to their own animal for the final rotation.

**BEEF**

*See Health Requirements for Livestock – Exhibits in Livestock Expo Building.*

1. Beef cattle will be divided into sub-classes according to breed as listed in the open class book. Show order will be posted by the superintendent.
2. A member may make two entries per class per breed. All bulls 12 months and older must be shown with a nose ring.
3. Members showing beef as a part of their placement SAE (without ownership) may show 4 animals (2 male/2 female). **Members must present a copy of their SAE agreement at registration**
4. Breeding classes may be split by age (if entries merit) or combined (if less than three entries) upon superintendent discretion.
5. GC & RC Champions maybe awarded for: Heifer, Bull, Cow/Calf for overall breeds. Market Steer, Market Heifer, Overall Market Beef.

**DIVISION – BREEDING BEEF**

CLASS

11 Junior heifer calf, born 2025.

12 Senior heifer calf, calved on or between September 1 and December 31, 2024.

14 Summer yearling heifer, calved on or between May 1 and August 31, 2024.

16 Junior yearling heifer, calved on or between January 1 and April 30, 2024.

18 Senior yearling heifer/two-year-old heifer without calf, born in 2023.

19 Grand Champion and Reserve Champion heifers will be selected in each sub-class provided they are of blue-ribbon quality.

20 Registered Bull Calf, calved after January 1, 2025.

CLASS CONT.

21 Registered Junior Yearling bull, calved on or between January 1, 2024, and December 31, 2024.

22 Registered Senior Yearling bull, calved on or between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023.

31 Cow/calf pair, 2025 calf, any age cow

##### DIVISION – MARKET BEEF

The market beef will be shown based on weights only, no breed designation will be used. Show management will determine the class by weight distribution. Market beef will be divided into groups of no more than 10 head.

CLASS

51 Market Heifers (sub classes determined by weight)

52 Market Steers (sub classes determined by weight)

##### DIVISION – BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

An Overall Beef Showman will be selected from all individuals exhibiting beef.

CLASS

61 Showmanship (breeding or market, male or female, shown by exhibitor from any breed). Showmanship will be the first class of the Beef show.

62 Showmanship for all exhibitors not eligible for Round Robin. Members more than one NDSF after high school graduation or previous Round Robin Showmanship winners.

**DIVISION** – **DAIRY CATTLE**

*See Health Requirements for Livestock – Exhibits in Dairy Barn.*

1. Each member may exhibit up to two entries per class per breed as listed in the open class book.
2. Members showing dairy cattle as a part of their placement SAE (without ownership) may show 4 animals (2 male/2 female). **Members must present a copy of their SAE agreement at registration.**
3. Animals of any of the dairy breeds will be accepted in the following classes.
4. Breeding classes may be split by age (if entries merit) or combined (if less than three entries) upon superintendent discretion.
5. The Purebred Dairy Cattle Association (PDCA) Showmanship Guidelines will be utilized for proper showmanship procedures.
6. GC & RC Champions maybe awarded for: Cows (Classes 16-19), Female for each breed and overall breeds.

CLASS

11 Spring heifer calf, born after March 1, 2025

12 Fall/Winter heifer calf, born September 1, 2023, through February 2025

13 Spring/Summer yearling heifer, born March through August 2024

15 Fall/Winter yearling heifer, born September 1, 2023, through February 2024

 Grand Champion and Reserve Champion heifer (Classes 11-15)

16 Two-year old, born September 2021 through August 2023

17 Two-year in milk, born September 1, 2021, and August 2023

18 Lactating cows, 3 years old and older, born before September 1, 2022

19 Dry cows, 3 years old and older, born before August 1, 2022

 Grand Champion and Reserve Champion cow (classes 16-19)

 FFA Grand and Reserve Champion female will be selected from each breed provided they are of blue-ribbon quality.

DIVISION – DAIRY SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS

61 Showmanship (one animal, male or female, from any breed shown by exhibitor). Showmanship will be the first class of the Dairy Show.

62 Showmanship for all exhibitors not eligible for Round Robin. Members more than one NDSF after high school graduation or previous Round Robin Showmanship winners.

**GOATS**

*See Health Requirements for Livestock – Exhibits in Livestock Expo Building.*

1. Each member may exhibit up to two entries per class per breed and a total of 6 animals in the dairy goat show and a total of 6 animals in the meat goat show.
2. Members showing goats as a part of their placement SAE (without ownership) may show 4 animals (2 male/2 female). **Members must present a copy of their SAE agreement at registration**.
3. Show order will be posted by the superintendent. Grade and Purebred will show in the same classes.
4. Breeding classes may be split by age (if entries merit) or combined (if less than three entries). Commercial breeding classes will be split by weight instead of age.
5. Animals of any of the recognized breeds will be accepted. Registration papers are required at check-in.

**DIVISION – DAIRY GOATS**

No horns are allowed on Dairy Goats. Lots 31 – 34 are classes for goats less than 24 months of age and never have freshened. GC & RC Champions maybe awarded for: Doe and Buck for each Breed, Doe Overall Dairy Goat, Buck Overall Dairy Goat.

CLASS

31 Doe born on or after March 1, 2025

32 Doe born January through February 2025

33 Doe born August through December 2024

34 Yearling Doe born August 2023 through July 2024

35 Milker, under 2 years old

36 Milker, 2 years old

37 Milker, 3 & 4 years old

38 Milker, 5 years and older

39 Dry Doe more than 2 years old

40 Buck up to one year in age, born either Aug 2024 or later

**DIVISION – DAIRY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP**

CLASS

61 Showmanship – One Dairy Goat shown by the exhibitor. Showmanship will be the first class of the Dairy Goat Show.

62 Showmanship for all exhibitors not eligible for Round Robin. Members more than one NDSF after high school graduation or previous Round Robin Showmanship winners.

**DIVISION – BREEDING MEAT OR HAIR GOATS**

GC & RC Champions maybe awarded for: Doe Overall Meat and Hair Breeds, Buck Overall Meat and Hair Breeds.

CLASS

10 Goat not considered meat or dairy (pygmy, hair, etc.)

11 Doe born on or after March 1, 2025

12 Doe born January through February 2025

13 Doe born August through December 2024

CLASS CONT.

14 Yearling Doe born August 2023 through July 2024

15 Two-year-old Doe

16 Doe more than 2 years old

17 Buck born on or after March 1, 2025

18 Buck born January through February 2025

19 Buck born August through December 2024

20 Commercial Doe, any crossbred or doe that does not have registration papers.

**DIVISION – MARKET GOATS**

The market goats will be shown based on weights only, no breed designation will be used. Superintendent will determine the classes by weight distribution. Market goats will be divided into groups of no more than 10 head. GC & RC Champions may be awarded for Overall Market Goat (From Classes 20 and 21)

CLASS

21 Market Doe, any breed, or crossbred, less than a year old with milk teeth.

22 Market Wether, any breed, or crossbred, less than a year old with milk teeth.

**DIVISION – MEAT GOAT SHOWMANSHIP**

CLASS

61 Showmanship – One Goat shown by the exhibitor (Meat, Hair, or Market). Showmanship will be the first class of the Meat Goat Show.

62 Showmanship for all exhibitors not eligible for Round Robin. Members more than one NDSF after high school graduation or previous Round Robin Showmanship winners.

##### SHEEP

*See Health Requirements for Livestock – Exhibits in Livestock Expo Building.*

1. Each member may exhibit up to two entries per class per breed as listed in the open class book.

2. Members showing sheep as a part of their placement SAE (without ownership) may show 4 animals (2 male/2 female). **Members must present a copy of their SAE agreement at registration**.

3. A show order will be posted by the superintendent.

4. Sheep breeding classes for registered animals with papers will be subdivided by breed. You must show papers at check-in. A champion and reserve champion ewe and a champion and reserve champion ram for each breed may be selected.

5. Crossbreds, grade animals of all breeds and registered animals without papers will be shown as commercial.

6. Breeding classes may be split by age (if entries merit) or combined (if less than three entries) upon superintendent discretion. Commercial breeding classes maybe split by age or weight upon superintendent discretion.

7. GC & RC Champions maybe awarded for: Ewe Overall Breeds, Ram Overall Breeds, Market Ewe Lamb, Market Wether Lamb, Overall Market Lamb

##### DIVISION – BREEDING SHEEP

CLASS

11 Ewe, spring lamb, born after January 1, 2025.

12 Ewe, fall lamb, born between September 1, 2024, and December 2024.

13 Ewe, yearling, born between September 1, 2023, and August 2024.

17 Grand champion and reserve champion ewe for each breed may be selected provided they are of blue-ribbon quality.

21 Ram, spring lamb, born after January 1, 2025.

22 Ram, fall lamb, born between September 1, 2024, and December 2024.

23 Ram, yearling ram, born September 2023 through August 2024.

##### DIVISION – MARKET SHEEP

The market sheep will be shown based on weight. Classes will be divided by weight based on the number shown.

CLASS

51 Market ewe lamb (subclasses determined by weight)

52 Market wether lamb (subclasses determined by weight)

##### DIVISION – SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS

61 Showmanship (one sheep, market or breeding from any breed shown by the exhibitor). Showmanship will be the first class of the Sheep Show.

62 Showmanship for all exhibitors not eligible for Round Robin. Members more than one NDSF after high school graduation or previous Round Robin Showmanship winners.

##### SWINE

*See Health Requirements for Livestock – Exhibits in Livestock Expo Building.*

1. Each member may exhibit up to two entries per class per breed as listed in the open class book.
2. Members showing swine as a part of their placement SAE (without ownership) may show 4 animals (2 male/2 female). Members must present a copy of their SAE agreement at registration.
3. Each show will be increasing its minimum weight for market hogs to be eligible to compete in the market show. Market hogs will be shown as finished. If a pig falls below the minimum weight of 220 lbs. it automatically will be placed in the premier market hog class and will not be eligible for consideration for champion or reserve overall market hog selection. If a pig weighs above 300 lbs., it will be placed in an overweight class and will not be eligible to return for consideration for champion or reserve champion overall.
4. The swine show will operate under a declare-your-weight process for market animals as well as crossbred breeding gilts. This means each exhibitor will be responsible for weighing his or her own hogs during the weigh-in period on Tuesday, July 22. The weigh-in period will run from 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. Weight cards will be available Tuesday morning for exhibitors to pick up to record their pig’s weight and other required information. The cards will be in triplicate form. The first copy must be submitted to 4-H or FFA, the second copy will be turned into the open class superintendent, and the third copy will be for the exhibitor’s records. Required information will be the exhibitor’s name, exhibitor’s number, pig tag number, whether the animal is a barrow or gilt and market or breeding gilt, and pig weight. On the 4-H/FFA card place a circle around which show the animal will be shown in. Use the other card and circle if it will be shown in the open and junior show. All weight cards must be submitted to the appropriate superintendents by 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 22. If weight cards are not turned in by the 4:30 p.m. deadline, those animals will not be eligible to show in their respective shows. Along with the declare your weight, a weigh back is required for each of the shows.
5. The top two animals in each class will be weighed immediately following their class to determine if they are eligible to return for the overall drive. If a pig does not weigh within the allotted plus/minus 15 lb. weight allowance, it will be dropped to a red ribbon placing and will not be eligible for champion/reserve market hog competition. ND FFA Fair Management may increase weight ranges due to extreme conditions. The next pig in the lineup will move up in class and be called to the scale for a weight check. Following the weigh-in period and declaration of weight, the management will determine the division of the classes according to the weight distribution and number of animals, with no more than 15 in a group. Class weight breakdowns will be posted.
6. Animals of any of the recognized hog breeds will be accepted.
7. Breeding classes may be split by age (if entries merit) or combined upon superintendent discretion. Commercial breeding classes maybe split by age or weight upon superintendent discretion.
8. GC & RC Champions maybe awarded for: Breeding: Female and Male for each breed, Overall Female. Market: Premier Gilt, Premier Barrow, Overall Premier. Market Gilt, Market Barrow, Market Hog

### DIVISION – BREEDING SWINE

CLASS

11 Purebred Female, farrowed after January 1, 2025

12 Purebred Female, farrowed between July 2024 through December 2024

13 Purebred Female, farrowed between January 2024 through June 2024.

14 Crossbred Female, maximum weight 385 pounds and follows market hog weigh rules.

##### DIVISION – MARKET SWINE

CLASS

50 Premier gilts (160 lbs. minimum to 219 lbs. maximum weight) classes will be divided by weight based on number shown.

51 Premier barrows (160 lbs. minimum to 219 lbs. maximum weight) classes will be divided by weight based on number shown.

55 Market gilts (220 lbs. and up) classes will be divided by weight.

56 Purebred Market Barrows (220 lbs. and up) classes will be divided by weight. Registration papers required.

57 Market barrows (220 lbs. and up) classes will be divided by weight.

##### DIVISION – SWINE SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS

61 Showmanship (female breeding and market animals’ show together in this class, one hog from any breed shown by exhibitor). Showmanship will be the first class of the Swine Show.

62 Showmanship for all exhibitors not eligible for Round Robin. Members more than one NDSF after high school graduation or previous Round Robin Showmanship winners.

**STATIC LIVESTOCK – DEPARTMENT**

##### POULTRY

*See Health Requirements for Livestock – Exhibits in Dairy/Poultry Barn.*

1. Poultry Exhibits must be healthy. No certificate required. All entries are subject to inspection by the NDSF Veterinarian and are to be free of parasites and disease. Any poultry exhibit that does not appear healthy will be removed.
2. The NDSF will provide show cages for exhibiting poultry.
3. Exhibitors are responsible for the care of the poultry: however, the NDSF will provide feed, water, and bedding. Exhibitors must provide care, their own water, and feed cups for their animals exhibited from entry until release.
4. All poultry exhibits must be entered and caged with the FFA Poultry Superintendent between 5:00 and 8:00 p.m. on **Friday, July 18. FairEntry exhibit tags must be printed for each exhibit** – please bring completed tags with exhibits. Exhibitor tags must be displayed on all cages. An exhibitor may show up to two entries per class per breed. Exhibitors must be present during poultry judging as animals will be brought to the table for judging. Exhibitors must show their own birds or make their own arrangements for other handlers/assistance. FFA poultry will be judged starting at **8:00 a.m**. on **Sunday, July 20**.
5. Poultry will be divided into sub-classes by breed. See the open class premium book for a list of breeds. Poultry release time is **Monday, July 21 at 6:00 p.m**.
6. Cock /Cockerel, Hen/Pullet lots may be combined if less than 5 entries are entered per breed.
7. All entries must be made in the name of the exhibitor and must be bona fide property of the exhibitor. Members showing poultry as a part of their SAE (without ownership) may show 4 exhibits and must present **a copy of their SAE agreement at registration**. – see general livestock rules.
8. Birds entered as singles will not be allowed to enter as pairs, trios, pens, etc. Market animals may not be shown in breeding classes.
9. Superintendents will exercise all reasonable care of the exhibits at the NDSF and are not responsible for loss by any causes. Exhibitors must furnish their own padlocks for cages if they want them locked. Exhibitors who choose to lock their own cages will be responsible for feeding and watering.
10. Entries should be as mature as possible. **Note for Identification:** Duck males have hoarse high-pitched voices and Geese males have larger better developed heads.
11. Birds may be exhibited in one 4-H or FFA show only. Regardless of ownership by exhibitors who are both 4-H and FFA members. Birds shown in 4-H or FFA may also enter the open show, but separate entries must be made in the open shows.
12. GC & RC Champions maybe awarded for: Each Breed, Trio/Pen in each Breed/Production/Market Class, Breeding Pairs and Other Poultry Classes.

Poultry will be registered by **Breed.** Use the appropriate breed letters and the correct class number. See the breeds listed in the Open class Exhibitor Handbook.

**Large Fowl Breeds: Bantam Breeds:**

**POA** - American **POG** - Modern Games

**POB** - Asiatic **POH** - Old English Games

**POC** – English **POI** - Single Comb - Clean Legged

**POD** - Mediterranean **POJ** - Rose Comb - Clean Legged

**POE** - Continental **POK** - All Other Combs - Clean Legged

**POF** – All Other Standard Breeds **POL** - Feather Legged

**DIVISION – BREEDING CHICKEN**

CLASS

11 One Cockerel

12 One Pullet

21 One Cock, more than 1 year old

22 One Hen, more than 1 year old

31 Young Trio (one cockerel, 2 pullets)

32 Old Trio (one cock, 2 hens)

**DIVISION–BREEDING CHICKEN EGG PRODUCTION PEN CLASSES**

CLASS

41 3 Pullets – under 14 months of age

42 3 Hens – over 14 months of age

**DIVISION – MARKET CHICKEN PEN CLASSES**

CLASS

51 3 lightweights - under 5 lbs. each

52 3 heavyweights - over 5 lbs. each

16 Cockerel

17 Pullet

26 Cock, more than 1 year old

27 Hen, more than 1 year old

36 Trio of young birds – one male, two females

37 Trio of birds, more than 1 year old – one male, two females

**DIVISION – TURKEYS**

CLASS

61 Male

62 Female

63 Breeding pair

64 Market, one bird under 1 year old

**DIVISION – GEESE**

CLASS

71 Male

72 Female

73 Breeding pair, male and female more than 1 year old

74 Market, one bird under 1 year old

**DIVISION – DUCKS**

CLASS

81 Male

82 Female

83 Breeding pair, male and female more than 1 year old

84 Market, one bird under 1 year old

**DIVISION – HOBBY (pets, pigeons, other domestic fowl)**

CLASS

91 Male

92 Female

##### DIVISION – POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS

101 Showmanship – male or female, shown by exhibitor from any breed.

102 Showmanship – for all exhibitors that are more than one NDSF after high school graduation.

### RABBITS

*See Health Requirements for Livestock – Exhibits in Bunny Barn.*

1. Rabbit classes will be separated and shown by breed. **See the breed list for Breed Class Code in the open class Exhibitor Handbook.** Use the open class codes for consistency with other divisions. All rabbits are subject to inspection by the NDSF veterinarian and are to be free of parasites and disease.
2. A member may exhibit two entries per class in each breed. If the entry is a part of an SAE (without ownership), a copy of the SAE agreement must be presented upon entry. See Static Livestock rules.
3. The fair will provide show cages for rabbits. Exhibitors must provide their own feed. Wood chip litter will be provided. Exhibitors must furnish their own locks for their cages if they want them locked.
4. All rabbit exhibits must be registered with the FFA Rabbit Superintendent Tuesday, July 22 from 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. FairEntry exhibit entry tags must be printed for each exhibit – please bring printed tags with your exhibits and display on all cages. Exhibitors must present their rabbits to the Judges starting at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 23. Exhibitors must be present during rabbit judging as animals will be brought to the table for judging. Exhibitors must show their own rabbits or make their own arrangements for other handlers/assistance. All breeds recognized by ARBA will be judged on their standards and must be tattooed. Release time for rabbits is Saturday, July 26 on a sliding schedule – see Static Livestock Rules. Exhibitors are responsible for the care and cleaning of their own rabbits daily while on display. Division superintendents will exercise all reasonable care of the exhibits at the fair and will not be responsible for loss by any cause. Exhibitors must furnish their own padlocks for cages if they need to be locked.
5. Rabbits may be exhibited in one 4-H or FFA show only regardless of ownership by exhibitors who are both 4-H & FFA members. Rabbits shown in FFA may also enter the ARBA or Open Shows.
6. Rabbits entered as singles will not be allowed to enter in pen classes. Rabbits entered as breeding classes may not be entered in market classes.
7. GC & RC Champions maybe awarded for: Overall Buck, Doe, Market Rabbit, Market Pen, or Pair.

**Code Class 6 Breeds**

6A American

6B American Chinchilla

6C Beveran

6D Californian

6E Champagnes D’Argent

6F Checkered Giant

6G Cinnamon

6H Crème D’Argent

6I English Lop

6J Flemish Giant

6K French Lop

6L Giant Chinchilla

6M Giant Angora

6N Hotot

6O New Zealand

6P Palomino

6Q Satin

6R Silver Fox

6S Any other breed

**Code Class 4 Breeds**

4A American Fuzzy Lop

4B American Sable

4C Belgian Hare

4D Britiannia Petite

4E Dutch

4F Dwarf Hotot

4G English Angora

4H English Spot

4I Florida Whites

4J French Angora

4K Harlequin

4L Havana

4M Himalayan

4N Holland Lop

4O Jersey Wooly

4P Lilac

4Q Mini Lop

4R Mini Rex

4S Netherland Dwarfs

4T Polish

4U Rex

4V Rhinelander

4W Satin Angora

4X Silver Martin

4Y Silvers

4Z Standard Chinchilla

4AA Tans

4BB Thrianta

4CC Mini Satin

4DD Lionhead

**DIVISION BREEDING RABBITS – CLASS 6**

CLASS

11 Junior buck, 3 to 5 months

12 Intermediate buck, 6 to 8 months

13 Senior buck, more than 8 months

21 Junior doe, 3 to 5 months

22 Intermediate doe, 6 to 8 months

23 Senior doe, more than 8 months

**DIVISION – BREEDING RABBITS CLASS 4**

CLASS

14 Junior buck, under 6 months

15 Senior buck, 6 months and older

24 Junior doe, under 6 months

25 Senior doe, 6 months and older

**DIVISION – MARKET RABBITS**

CLASS

51 Individual small fryer (2½ - 4 lbs. up to 65 days)

52 Pen of 3 small fryers (2½ - 4 lbs. up to 65 days)

53 One large fryer (4 - 5½ lbs.)

54 Pen of 3 large fryers (4 - 5½ lbs.)

55 One roaster - (over 5½ lbs. under 8 months)

56 1 Stewer (over 5½ lbs. over 8 months)

DIVISION – RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS

61 Showmanship – male or female, shown by exhibitor from any breed.

62 Showmanship – for all exhibitors that are more than one NDSF after high school graduation.