



*Information including  
Open Class Listings and  
Entry Forms*

Fair Dates: September 3 - 7, 2026



Thank you for your interest in Open Class Entries for the 2026 Guthrie County Fair!

**Ag and Art Hall Entries:** An entry form is required for exhibits in these two buildings. The form is due to the fair office by *Monday, August 31, 2026.*

**Livestock Entries:** All livestock entries are done through the superintendent in each division.

If you have any questions about your entries, please contact the superintendent of that division. Thank you!

*We look forward to another great fair!*



## Open Class Department Superintendents

If you have any questions regarding your entries, you may contact the department superintendent listed below.

Department	Superintendent	Phone
Art & Pantry	Cindy Steensen Laura Sheeder	515-250-8175 641-740-0642
Agriculture	Bryce Arganbright (temporary)	641-757-9073
Cattle	Monte Jorgensen	641-740-0612
Sheep	Joe Arrasmith	641-757-1480
Goats	Madison Christensen	515-205-4459
Horses	Kaitlyn Boblett Makenna Vais	641-740-7622 641-745-7455
Poultry, Rabbits, & Pets	NO 2026 SHOW	
Dogs	Pat Wyatt	515-250-2488
Swine	NO 2026 SHOW	

# Rules and Regulations For ANIMALS in OPEN CLASS Guthrie County Fair

ALL **OPEN CLASS** and Jackpot shows will be organized by the superintendent or coordinator in each division. Please review each livestock division for class changes that will take place in 2026.

Please refer to the individual listings for the different species for the Superintendent who is in charge, his/her phone number, and any additional information for entering.

**Note: 4-H and FFA members need to refer to their own rules.**

1. All Open class livestock entries are to be made with each division superintendent.
2. Fees are to be paid to the superintendent. If a stall is used at any time, stall rent will also need to be paid.
3. No overnight tie outs will be allowed. If an emergency situation should arise, a reverse decision may be made by the Fair Board. All exhibitors of stock are required to keep their stock in their proper stalls.
4. Bagged bedding will be available on the fairgrounds at a reasonable cost. Designated sale hours will be posted. Only shaved bedding will be allowed.
5. Every animal entered for competition shall be under control of the board of fair directors. The association will not, in any case, be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.
6. All open class livestock may come into the fairgrounds the day of the show.
7. All open class livestock may be released after their respective shows. If animals are staying at the fair, stall rent must be paid
8. Pedigrees must be presented, if requested, at the time the entries are made.
9. If it is ascertained that any exhibitor has made or caused to be made, any false statements in regard to any animal or article exhibited, or if any exhibitor shall attempt to interfere with, or influence the judges in the performance of their duties, the exhibitor shall be excluded from the competition or exhibition.
10. Decision of the awarding committee shall be final, except in cases of fraud or protest.
11. All fast riding or any driving within the enclosure during the fair is strictly forbidden except by the direction of the fair board.
12. No dogs allowed on the grounds unless they are being judged or are a service animal. Dogs must be on a leash at all times.
13. No one will be allowed to sleep, stay the night, or camp in the barns.
14. No ATV's, golf carts, scooters, skid loaders, or UTV's will be driven on the fair grounds, except by fair board personnel or those with medical necessity. All of the aforementioned will be approved in the secretary's office.
15. If you rented a stall, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to clean that stall.

#### Equal Opportunity/ Non-Discrimination Policy

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**May 2026**

## **Rules & Regulations For Open Class In the Art & Ag Halls Guthrie County Fair 2026**

**Please complete the ENTRY FORM allowing 3 days for mail service and mail to the address below. OR a drop off box for entries can be found on the southeast corner of the Guthrie Co Event Center by the Secretary's window.**

**Guthrie Co Fair ENTRIES  
PO Box 153  
Guthrie Center, IA 50115**

1. Entry forms must be to the secretary's office by Monday, August 31, at 6:00 pm.
2. Exhibitors in all Junior classes must be at age 5-12 years old.
3. Exhibit tags can be picked up from Noon to 7:00 PM on Wednesday.
4. All exhibits must be to the Art Hall by Wednesday at 7:30 PM. The doors will be locked at 7:30 PM to allow superintendents time to prepare for judging the next day.  
Exceptions: Baked goods and flowers. These must be to the Art Hall by 7:30 AM, the day of judging (Thursday).
5. Judging in the Art Hall will begin at 9 AM on Thursday. The Art Hall will be CLOSED to the public during judging, but will be open Friday for public viewing.
6. All exhibits must be to the Ag Hall by Thursday at 7:30 PM.
7. Judging in the Ag Hall will begin at 9 AM on Friday. The Ag Hall will be OPEN to the public during judging.
8. Exhibitors may enter only one article per class and lot number in every department. NO EXCEPTIONS
9. Open class exhibitors will be furnished with cards/ tags containing the section class, and lot number as the exhibitor submitted of each item. Cards/tags must be attached or placed in close connection with the exhibit to which they refer.
10. ALL open class and jr. class vegetables will be judged according to the Iowa State Extension Leaflet 4-H-462 that can be obtained at the extension office.
11. Look for the correct number to be displayed for each class.
12. All products must be grown in the current year. If any entry in any lot is below standard, first prize will not be awarded even if it is the only one in the lot.
13. Ag Hall exhibitors will furnish their own paper plate to display their exhibit on.
14. If it is ascertained that any exhibitor has made or caused to be made, any false statement in regard to any article exhibited, or if any exhibitor shall attempt to interfere with, or influence the judges in the performance of their duties, the exhibitor shall be excluded from the competition or exhibition.
15. Decision of the awarding judge shall be final, except in cases of fraud or protest.
16. Exhibits may be picked up between 10:00 PM and Noon on Monday. No exhibits may be removed before 10:00 AM.

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