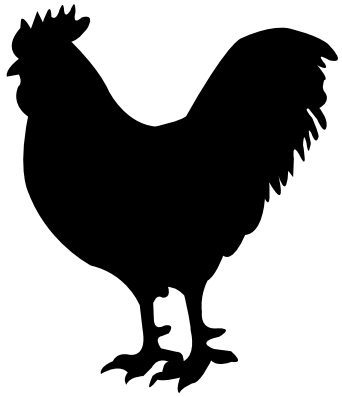

4-H POULTRY
Department 18

SUPERINTENDENTS
- Tammy Mullinix, 301-253-2145

ENTRY DEADLINE: July 20, 2026

ENTRY FEE
None required.

ARRIVAL and CHECK-IN TIME
- Saturday, Aug. 15, from 7am - 9am (**Market Turkeys ONLY**)
- Sunday, Aug. 16, from 8am–7:30pm

JUDGING
Market Turkeys
- **Saturday, Aug. 15 at 10am**

MARKET TURKEY AUCTION
Saturday, Aug. 16
- 7pm in the Sheep Show Ring (Auction)

ALL OTHER POULTRY
Monday, Aug. 17
- In the Poultry Building.

BUILDING IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DURING JUDGING.

PRETTY POULTRY
Pending
- In the Poultry Building.

PREMIUMS

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Divisions: 1–7	$8	7	6	5	4	
Division: 8						
Class 1	($3 Participation)					
Class 2-3	$12	11	10	8	6	6

RULES and REGULATIONS
1. All exhibitors must comply with 4-H and FFA General Rules and Regulations.
2. There is a limited number of coops so exhibitors are encouraged to get their entries in early to guarantee coops for their poultry.
3. All poultry exhibitors shall complete a "Self-Certification of Poultry Health" document. The "Self-Certification of Poultry Health" document will be available on the MDA website www.mda.state.md.us or in hard copy at the MDA Regional Offices.
4. All exhibitors must show proof that poultry originated from a pullorum-typhoid free flock.
5. All poultry for exhibition shall meet the requirements for Pollorum-Typhoid and Avian Influenza testing as detailed below:
   - **AVIAN INFLUENZA (AI) TESTING REQUIREMENTS:**
   - Have a negative avian influenza test conducted on a representative sample of 10 BIRDS PER PREMISES within 21 days prior to the event start date.
   - If there are less than 10 birds, then all birds must be tested.
   - **SALMONELLA PULLORUM-TYPHOID TESSTING REQUIREMENTS:** All poultry, 4 months of age or older, except waterfowl, wild birds, pigeons and doves, shown at public exhibitions in the state shall meet one or more of the following requirements:
   - Originate directly from an NPIP U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flock as defined in Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations (and there was no break in the chainof ownership by NPIP participants), OR "Flock" is defined as "all of the poultry on one premises, except any group of poultry that has been segregated for 21 days may be considered a separate flock." (COMAR 15.11.11.02) This pertains to PT testing only. OR
   - Have a negative official test for Salmonella Pullorum-Typhoid within 90 days before fair, exhibition, exposition, or show and remain segregated from all poultry of unknown or positive Salmonella Pullorum-Typhoid test status.
   - Segregation is defined as no direct contact between poultry. For biosecurity purposes, it is advised to care for the tested flock before interacting with any untested poultry on site.
6. By entering and participating in a 4-H show you agree to abide by all rules and regulations detailed in the most current edition of the Fair catalog for each specific Department, as well as 4-H rules, 4-H Club rules and those indicated in the General Rules and Regulations.
7. To show in market classes and sell in any of the 4-H market sales, an exhibitor must be in good standing in their respective 4-H market club and have fulfilled all requirements that are indicted in the published rules for each individual 4-H market club, as determined by the 4-H Club leader(s).
8. Hens must weigh a minimum of 18lbs., and Toms must weigh a minimum of 22lbs.
9. Each market turkey may only go across the scale for official weight one time. **No reweighs will be permitted.**
10. Violations of these rules could result in consequences and/or sanctions as might be determined by 4-H and/or Fair leadership.

SPECIAL AWARDS
1. **Friends of Montgomery County 4-H** offers an award to the Best Overall Turkey.
2. **Friends of Montgomery County 4-H** offers an award to the Best Overall Duck.
3. **Farm & Home Service, Inc.** offers an award to the Best Overall Goose.
4. **Southern States of Mt. Airy Coop** offers an award to the Best Overall Miscellaneous Fowl.
5. **Friends of Montgomery County 4-H** offers an award to the Champion Poultry Promotion Exhibit.
6. **Southern States of Frederick** sponsors an award for Best Overall Standard Chicken.
7. **Southern States of Frederick** sponsors an award for Best Overall Bantam Chicken.
8. **Winnie and Tom Reed** offer an award to first place Junior Showmanship, first place Intermediate Showmanship, and first place Senior Showmanship.
9. **Winnie and Tom Reed** offer an award to the Champion Pretty Poultry.

DIVISION 1: STANDARDS
See Department F for Class numbers (p. 55)
Select Cock/Hen/Cockerel/Pullet in Sub-Class

DIVISION 2: BANTAMS
See Department F for Class numbers (p. 55)
Select Cock/Hen/Cockerel/Pullet in Sub-Class

DIVISION 3: DUCKS

See Department F for Class numbers (p. 55)
Select Cock/Hen/Cockerel/Pullet in Sub-Class

DIVISION 4: GEESE

See Department F for Class numbers (p. 55)
Select Cock/Hen/Cockerel/Pullet in Sub-Class

DIVISION 5: MARKET TURKEYS

- *Only 1 market entry allowed per exhibitor.*
- *Market class open only to Montgomery County Poultry Club members in good standing that are participating in the 4-H market project.*

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491. Market Hen.

DIVISION 5: TURKEYS

See Department F for Class numbers (p. 55)
Select Cock/Hen/Cockerel/Pullet in Sub-Class

DIVISION 6: MISCELLANEOUS FOWL

See Department F for names of breeds (p. 55)

1. Pea Fowl.
2. Guineas.
3. Capon.
4. Other (except pigeons and birds similar in size or smaller than pigeons).
5. Best Overall Miscellaneous Fowl—Ribbon and Trophy.

DIVISION 7: POULTRY PROMOTION

One entry per exhibitor.
See Department F for names of breeds (p. 55)

1. Posters, Junior.
2. Posters, Intermediate.
3. Posters, Senior.
4. Champion Poster—Ribbon and Trophy.

DIVISION 8: PRETTY POULTRY CONTEST

Each exhibitor should provide a 2 part story with a maximum of 100 words. Part one should describe the entry and part two should describe the exhibitor and his/her poultry project. Story should be turned in on Sunday at check in.

1. Clover Participation.
2. Junior (Age 8-13).
3. Senior (Age 14-18).

DIVISION 9: POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

Poultry Showmanship will evaluate the 4-H member's ability to carry, manage and show the project animal. The member will additionally be evaluated on their own appearance and on the knowledge of the 4-H project animal and of show procedures. Judging will be based on the Youth Exhibition Poultry Association Standards.

1. Clover Showmanship (4-H Ages 5-7).
2. Junior Showmanship (4-H Ages 8-10).
3. Intermediate Showmanship (4-H Ages 11-13).
4. Senior Showmanship (4-H Ages 14-18).

4-H RABBIT & CAVY
Department 19

ARBA Youth Sanctioned Show

SUPERINTENDENTS

- Tom Fitzpatrick, 301-633-3251
- Show Secretary, Kyla Butts, 301-613-3245

ENTRY DEADLINE: July 20, 2026

ENTRY FEE

None required.

ARRIVAL and CHECK-IN TIME

- Friday, Aug. 14 from 3:00–9pm

Late arrivals will be scratched
Please see catalog page 178 for drop-off procedures.

RELEASE TIMES

See General Rules and Regulations for animal release times.
Please see catalog page 178 for pick-up procedures.

JUDGING CONTEST

Friday Aug. 14

- 6pm in the Rabbit Barn (Written Material)

RABBIT SHOW

Saturday, Aug. 15

- 8am in the Rabbit Barn

MARKET PEN AUCTION

Saturday, Aug. 15

- 7pm in the Sheep Show Ring (Bldg. #36)

SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

Sunday, Aug. 16

- 9am in the Rabbit Barn

RABBIT HOPPING CONTEST

Monday, Aug. 17

- 5:15pm in the Cattle Show Pavilion (Bldg. #16)

JUDGING CONTEST

Tuesday, Aug. 18

- 9am in the Rabbit Barn (Live Judging & Reasons)

RABBIT PROMOTION

Friday, Aug. 21

- 3pm in the Rabbit Barn